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RED CROSS WORKERS WILL MEET THIS EVENING

The Red Cross campaign workers are asked to report at Memorial hall this evening, and to bring in all the names of new members which they may have secured up to that time. The committee desires to have all the names in by 8 o'clock at the latest, and workers are advised to be on hand by 7:30. There will be nothing of a formal nature about the meeting, it is desired merely to have as complete a report as possible of the progress which the campaigners have made to date.

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DANIELS PROUD OF WAY NAVY HAS MET TEST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Before the house naval sub-committee today Secretary Daniels gave a general review of what the navy had been doing, avoiding, as he explained, disclosing any facts that would be of value to the enemy. He told how the navy was now building 424 capital and other important ships.

Discussing the use of submarine chasers, he said they were regarded as a necessity and there was "no great enthusiasm" about them as a weapon for permanent effectiveness.

Naval aviation, he said, has made gratifying strides, but has been hampered by lack of manufacturing facilities.

He praised the co-ordination between the personnel of the navy and the personnel of the allies.

One great problem, he said, was to

furnish gun crews to merchant ships. "We made these reserve ships a school for gunners," he said, "and the efficiency with which these officers have taken hold of the young men and made the young men efficient is really one of the big things of the navy in this war."

"Who you come to write the story of the war one of the most thrilling chapters will be regarding these young men who went in the merchant ships and risked their lives. I refer to those who went on our own merchant ships of course, who gave out guns on every ship going into submarine war zones that requires it."

"We are rather proud of the way the navy has met the actual test of war. I am glad for congress and the public to know something of our activities. A taking stock, so to speak, cannot fail to bring ways for still further improvement."

WITH THE ARMY FRENCH CRUISER SUNK; 10 LOST

Leo LeBlanc, of 410 Salem street, left Lowell this morning for the devastated city of Halifax, where he is to become a member of the Manchester regiment of the British forces. LeBlanc enlisted at the local war work headquarters. He will spend three or four weeks in Halifax and then will be sent "over there" with his regiment. Sergeant J. Healey, one of the members of the British and Canadian recruiting mission now in Lowell, told an interesting anecdote of the Halifax catastrophe this morning. Maj. G. Walkley

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HOICE QUESTIONNAIRES

Division 4 exemption board today sent out questionnaires to the registrants in that division whose order numbers were between 301 and 400 inclusive. The other boards sent out their regular five per cent. of the questionnaires today also.

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 18.—Maximum coal prices for Tyngsboro were established here today. The state tax administrator says they do not take into consideration the increase of 25 cents a ton of coal at the mines and are subject if necessary to change later. They are as follows: Anthracite ("delivered") \$9.40 a ton; stone and chestnut, \$8.50.

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FIX THE PRICE OF COAL IN TYNGSBORO

A little book entitled "Youth's Path to Success," by E. J. Gallagher, is just out and is on sale at Prince's and Pollard's. Price, 50 cents. It is a condensation of the principles of success, of physical and ethical culture couched in simple verse. It should be judged by the contents, not by the cover.

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RED CROSS SAVES LIVES OF STARVING BABIES



French refugee children being outfitted with warm clothing by American Red Cross workers behind the French lines. The baby in the picture below is getting its first bath in the same refugee station. That's what Red Cross is doing for the tiny victims of human ruthlessness.

gathered in a Red Cross institution and for the first time since the beginning of the war they are receiving proper food, housing, clothing, medical attention and schooling.

Dr. J. P. Sedgwick of Minneapolis, famous specialist in children's diseases, was sent into the war zone by the Red Cross to see what should be done.

He gathered around him a staff of specialists, among whom are Dr. J. L. Durand of Seattle, Wash., Dr. N. O. Pearce of Minneapolis, Dr. Alice Brown of Winnetka, Ill., Madam Alice Delebecque of Cleveland and Miss Bessie Spanner of Cleveland.

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Then one day the Americans came along and persuaded the mother that Julia would be better off in the children's refugee station behind the lines. Today, little Julia, is getting fat and rosy. She no longer cries from tiredness of sleepless nights.

"I gave Julia her first bath here," said Miss Bessie Spanner of Cleveland. "It was the first she had in months."

School instruction begins for the tots as soon as they are two years old.

The other day a mother from a shell-swept village brought her two-year-old baby to the station.

"I can't keep her at home with me any longer," she said. "I have to run to the cave so often that I'm exhausted from carrying her."

Another mother, always comes at night.

The German sharpshooters try to hit me every time I stick my head out of doors. I have to dig my potatoes at night and wear a gas mask while I work."

It is the children of such mothers who comprise the population of the refugee station. In caring for them the Red Cross is doing a noble work which should be encouraged by all American women at home. Instead of one such station there is need for scores.

C. C. LYON.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

Note.—Below is what the press agents of the different theatres say of the current attractions and of others to come later.

B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

A real patriotic note is contained in the musical "Music," which Tom Powers, the famous singer, is giving at the Keith's Theatre this week. The national anthems of all the allied nations are played by the tilted lids and lassies, and as each one's notes sound forth the flag of the nation appears. The act is one of much snap and, naturally, it holds the real Scottish flavor to it.

"The King and I," a new American comedy, is a prima favorite on the bill. Bowing is genuinely funny in a new way. "Cranberries," an unusual comedy that holds much of sparkle to it, will give pleasure to many, and Angel, Aldwell & Fuller mix comedy and patriotism successfully. Other acts on the bill are: Frenell Trio, in circuses, stars in the "Circus Girl" and "The High-Pathé pictures give the first views from Halifax. The picture feature of the week is "The Cinderella Man," with Mae Marsh in the principal role.

OPERA HOUSE

"Playthings," Sidney Toler's greatest success of recent years, which is being cleverly interpreted by the New York players, will open at the Opera House this week. Stands out as one of the best efforts of any local stock company in many seasons. The play itself is unusually interesting and its treatment by the players could hardly be improved. The cast includes several interesting characters, all taken from real life, and when introduced so pleasantly in the recital of events that progress through three acts, cannot help but please immensely. Crowd-filled houses at every performance testify to the general satisfaction which the play has created.

There is a touch of good humor in the lines and action, to which Arthur De Lord, the clever Juvenile man contributes a rich share. As the young man who is forever figuring out inventions for the benefit of mankind, Mr. Toler is certainly amazing. Miss Gladys McLeod has been booked to sing girlish or charming than she does this week, while Miss Rotoli and Miss Hall are also excellently cast. Douglas Dumbrille and Jerome Kennedy are good, and Claude Kinnard and Robert

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Special to The Sun

BEHIND THE FRENCH LINES IN FRANCE. (By mail.)—Women of America, do you want to do something vastly worth while for France in this war?

Then interest yourself in some poor, sick, homeless French baby.

Get in touch with your American Red Cross and tell them you want to sew for and help dress any unfortunate mite whose father has been killed in the trenches and whose mother daily struggles against overwhelming odds to keep body and soul together.

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INTERESTING LETTERS FROM LOWELL SOLDIERS IN THE WAR ZONE

Private James B. Clancy, formerly employed at the Boston & Maine car shops in Fitchburg, but now with Co. B. of the 14th engineer regiment, somewhere in France, has sent a letter from the front to a friend in this city. Private Clancy comes from Concord, N.H. The souvenir to which he refers in the letter was a silk handkerchief with embroidered edges upon which was pictured a blazing church. Here's the letter:

Somewhere in France, November 20, 1917.

Miss: Just a few lines to let you know that I received your card and was very glad to hear from you; I hope that everybody in Lowell is well. This is a great country but I would prefer the old U.S.A. any time. It is good enough for anyone. All that one

IF YOU GET TIRED OF LYING AWAKE

the remedy may be simple. In most cases sleeplessness is caused by some slight disturbance of the stomach that may be promptly removed by Dys-pep-lets which are a combination of digestives, carminatives and correctives. Try these tablets—have a package of them at your bedside tonight. You may thank us for this suggestion.

Dys-pep-lets are absolutely free from narcotics, and give great satisfaction in relieving sleeplessness, as well as sour stomach, heartburn and other symptoms of indigestion. All druggists 10c, 25c or \$1.

can see around here are ruins everywhere and where our present camp is located was once a good-sized village but you would not know it to look at it now. I have visited one of the larger cities about 25 miles from here. It was not destroyed although the enemy army passed through there at one time. There are some nice churches in Lowell, some nice inns there are not as nice as these over here in France which were probably built hundreds of years ago. Both on the inside and outside sand bags are piled up high around the statues and carvings to protect them from air raids.

I suppose the boys got a great send-off when they left Lowell and I hope they did. We had a pretty lonesome trip on the way over; there was nothing to see but water and not one drop of that was fit to drink. We landed in France and started from there our camp in the south of England. We had been riding on the trains for about nine hours and it was midnight when we started our hike. We stayed at that camp about four days and then the five regiments went to London for a review.

There was some sight. I have seen large crowds in Lowell on different holidays but none could compare with the crowd in London on Wednesday, Aug. 15th. The boys sure got a great reception from the people along the streets. We passed the King and Queen in the Buckingham Palace and went into Green Park where lunch was served to the five regiments. We were also reviewed by the American ambassador and by Admiral Sims, and at last "Yankee Doodle" could say that he "went to London" and he wasn't riding in a hayrack. It was too bad that the countries were so far

apart that the people in the United States could not see the welcome that those five regiments received.

I suppose Old Fritz might have got us on the way over but we didn't see one of his U-boats on the way across. We went back to camp and stayed there for a few days until we started again for the south of England to the seaport where we boarded the boat that would take us to France.

"Sail for France" they say, but I fail to see it so far. All we get is rain and then some, and at this writing it is raining pretty hard. There is a good-sized town about five miles from our present camp which the boys have visited off and on. There are some buildings in real life the buildings and people that we had been used to seeing in moving pictures at home. We've gone to the "movies" several times over here but the pictures were the same that we had seen in America two years ago. The buildings in this town are pretty well shod and it will be

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full till the time that it will be

over after the war.

Well, I think I have written quite a lot for one time, so I will close as the censor may get tired of reading this long story. I wish you a merry Christmas and good luck.

Prv. James B. Clancy,

P.S.—Enclosed you will find a souvenir. Let me know if you receive it as some of the boys have received letters from home saying that articles had been removed from the letters coming from over there.

Musician Gilligan

Musician Martin W. Gilligan with Battery F in France writes as follows to his mother, Mrs. M. A. Gilligan of 130 Bowes street:

Somewhere in France, Nov. 27, 1917. Dear Mother—I am writing again. I can't say very much as I have not received any answer to the mail that I sent from this side. I am still feeling O.K. and am keeping well. I hope everyone at home is well. I expect to get some of your mail any time now.

The last letter I received came on the 26th of October. I hope you get all my letters. I will write twice a week if I can.

I am sending a snapshot I had taken here; I think it is a good one. I hope

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you get this letter before Christmas, and I hope that you all have a very merry Christmas.

We are working pretty hard here but we enjoy ourselves, too. We get good rest at night and plenty to eat, so we can't kick much. I would like to see Lowell when that bunch from Ayer comes to town. We get a few papers here from home and they all have Camp Devens in them. Those fellows don't know that it is to consider yet.

Well, I could hear from you more often. The weather here is not cold; we have to wear our overcoats only now and then. But we have plenty of rain.

Well, hoping to hear from you soon.

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SIGN PAINTER FALLS FROM STAGING

Samuel Siegel, a sign painter in the employ of the Kimball System, had a narrow escape from being killed shortly after noon today when he fell off a ladder staging swung in front of the building numbered 108 Merrimack street, near the corner of John street, and landed on the sidewalk. An examination showed that he was suffering from a lacerated wound of the forehead and lacerated wound of the nose and probably suffered internal injuries. The accident was witnessed by a large number of people who were passing through the street.

Ste. Gagnon, a sign painter on the roof of the two and one-half story building at 108 Merrimack street. He was walking along the ladder staging when suddenly it tilted to one side and losing his balance he fell into the street. He struck on his feet but the fall was so great that when he struck the sidewalk he hit the nose and nose struck his knees and inflicted the injuries.

The injured man was carried into Dr. Gagnon's office and the ambulance summoned, but upon the arrival of the ambulance Siegel refused to go to a hospital. A doctor was then summoned and after the injuries had been dressed the man was taken to his home, 141 Chelmsford street.

COMMISSIONERS WIN SUGAR
It was reported at city hall this morning that two of the commissioners at city hall and one of the employees had recently won in a drawing contest each five pounds of real granulated sugar. The contest was held at Camp Devens for the benefit of the soldier boys and the first lot of five pounds of sugar that stuff drawn went to Commissioner Morse. The second lot was won by Commissioner Donnelly and the third by James Redmond of the registrar of voters' office. It was also reported that the 15 pounds of sugar were later donated to the soldier boys by the winners.

THE FACT REMAINS THAT THE CITY PAID FOR WORTHLESS FLAGS

The state prison authorities are very sorry that the city of Lowell did not get its money's worth in the recent purchase of flags for the North End and Fort Hill parks for it was learned that the flags were of high grade material.

A few months ago Purchasing Agent Maxime Lepine purchased a large flag for the North common and a few weeks later another was purchased for the flag pole at Fort Hill. The two emblem being purchased from the state prison authorities. A few days after the flags were raised they went to pieces. The attention of Victor T. Buck of the state prison industry was called to the quality of the flags and as a result several communications were exchanged between Mr. Buck and Mr. Lepine but without any satisfactory result.

This morning Mr. Buck called on the purchasing agent and said he was surprised to learn that the flags were of inferior quality. He said the bunting was purchased from a reliable company and the highest price possible was paid for the goods. The only work done by prison inmates on the flags is the sewing of the bunting bands. In closing he said he was very sorry that the flags did not prove of A-1 quality, and that closed the incident.

CHRISTMAS DINNER AT CREAMSFORD STREET HOSPITAL WILL INCLUDE FESTIVE BIRD

The Christmas dinner at the Chelmsford street hospital will consist of 500 pounds of western turkey purchased from Faley & Co., cranberry sauce, mashed pic, cheese, celery, oranges and nuts.

The dinner will be served to 336 inmates, the smallest number of inmates at the institution for the past three years, or 170 less than in 1914. While talking about the Christmas dinner, Dr. W. S. Conley stated that the hospital will not live within its appropriation this year, this being due to the high cost of flour, coal and cloth.

SUN BREVITIES

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At 11:30 o'clock this morning the ambulance was called to the plant of Chase & Sons in Bowes street and removed Peter O'Neil of 162 Middlesex street to St. John's hospital. He was suffering from an injury to his left leg.

The central switchboard of the local fire department which has been located in the living room of Engine 3's quarters at the central fire station was last night transferred to the chief's reception room. There was no interruption in the service during the change.

John Jameson, residing at 238 Merrimack street, suffered a fracture of the right arm while at work in the rear of the Bay State Street Ry. Co. in Middlesex street, about 5 o'clock this morning. The ambulance was summoned and he was removed to St. John's hospital.

J. A. Cook, residing at 66 Royal street, suffered a laceration of the arm about 4:30 o'clock this morning as a result of that member being caught in a carding machine at the Merrimack mills of the American Woolen Co. at the Dracut Navy Yard. The ambulance was summoned and he was removed to the Lowell hospital.

Walter Dana, residing at 1 Hancock avenue and employed by D. Lovejoy & Son in Liberty square, was burned about the face and arms about 6

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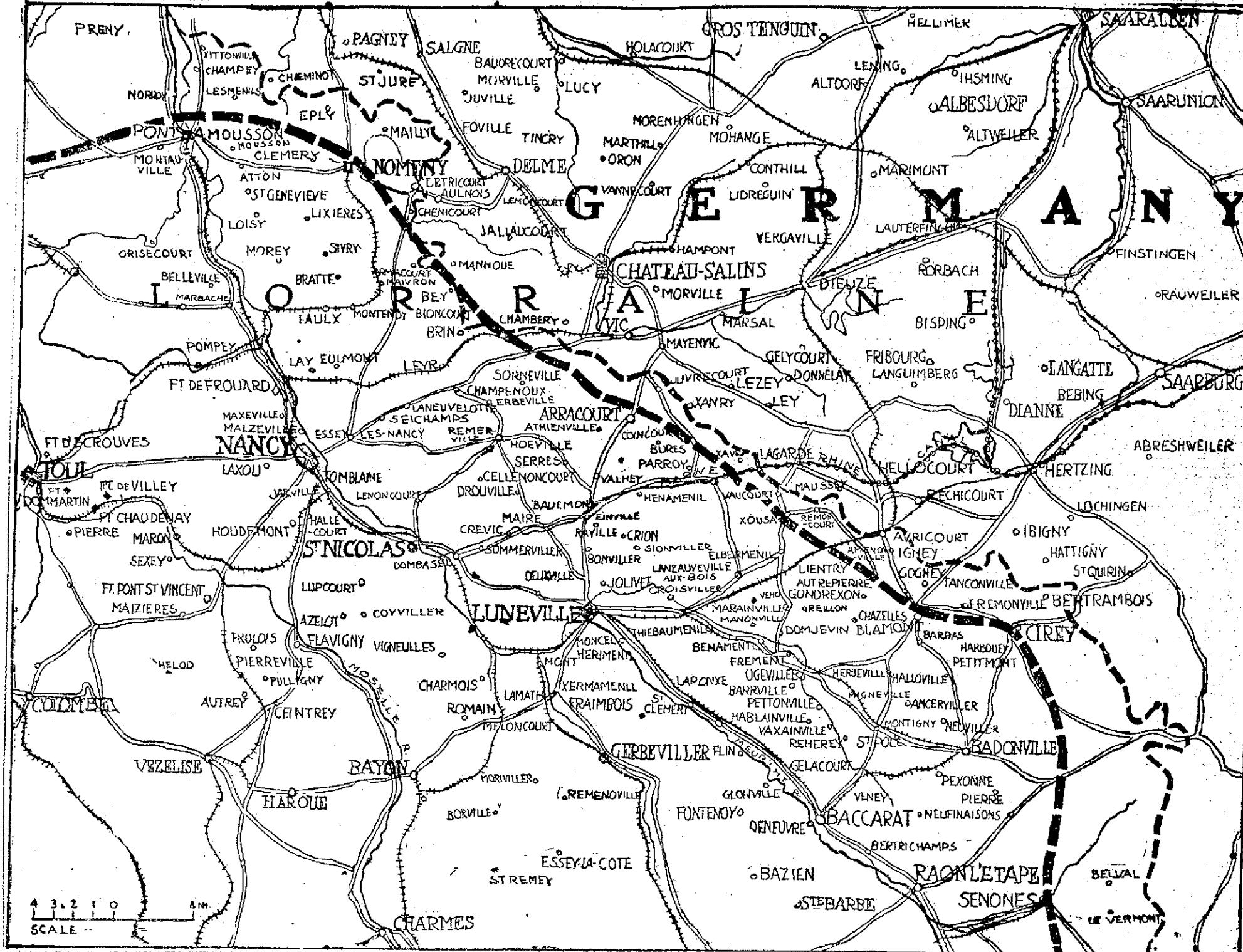
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DETAIL MAP OF AMERICAN FRONT IN FRANCE

This is the territory in France where there are American soldiers on the battle line. The line of combat is shown in the heavy dotted line; note that it is very close to the boundary of German Lorraine. The government has not announced exactly what section of this line the American troops are holding. The entire line shown here, however, is only 72 miles long, and the skirmishes between Sammies and Germans were in the neighborhood of the Rhine-Marne Canal, which crosses the battle line northeast of Luneville, almost in the center of the map. Observe that a few exceedingly small pieces of German territory north and east of Nancy are now in possession of the allies—presumably the French. Railroads are indicated on this map by crossed lines, good wagon roads by parallel lines, and canals by lines with circles on them. This map covers a territory 60 miles across. From Toul it is 180 miles west to Paris, and 42 miles northwest to Verdun.

FUNERAL NOTICES

FISH—Died Dec. 17, in this city, Mrs. Anna M. Fish, aged 75 years, for months, and 25 days, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Edward F. Staples, 26 Dover street. Funeral services will be held at 26 Dover street, Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends are invited without further notice. Please omit flowers. Burial will take place at Stamford, Conn. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertakers George W. Healey.

KELLY—The funeral of James F. Kelly will take place Thursday morning at 9 o'clock from his home, 35 Van street. A solemn high funeral mass will be sung at St. Patrick's church at 10 o'clock. Undertakers Peirce & Kelly in charge.

KENNEY—The funeral of John H. Kenney will take place Friday morning from his home, 15 Lennox street at 8 o'clock. At the Sacred Heart church a funeral high mass of requiem will be celebrated at 9 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers O'Connell & Mack in charge.

MOORE—Died Dec. 18, in this city, Miss Susan Moore, aged 55 years, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James McFarland, 9 Barclay street. Funeral services will be held at 9 Barclay street, Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends are invited without further notice. Burial private. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertakers George W. Healey.

SHERBURN—Died in Tyngsboro, Dec. 18, at his home, Warren A. Sherburn, aged 67 years. Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Evangelical church, Tyngsboro. Friends invited without further notice. Please omit flowers.

SHANNON—The funeral of Mrs. Cecilia Shannon will take place Friday morning from her late home, 14 Auburn street. She leaves one son, James of Fitchburg; two daughters, the Misses Delta and Etta Shannon; a sister, Mrs. Catherine Richards, and several nieces and nephews and two grandchildren, all of this city.

MINER—Katherine E. Miner died this morning at the Lowell hospital aged 3 years, 2 months and 15 days. Owing to the cause of death, diaphtheria, the funeral took place this afternoon and the burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery under the direction of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

DUCHESE—Mrs. Hypolite Duchesne, 56, Melvin Bourcier, died today at her home, 503 Moody street, aged 33 years. She leaves her husband, two children, Hildegarde and Florence; four sisters, Mrs. Rose Charlier, Miss Leda Bourcier, Mrs. Emma Laurier and Mrs. Parabelle Perreault, and three brothers, William, Edmond and Elzéar Bourcier, all of Canada.

SOULE—Mr. William O. Soule, a well known resident of this city, passed away early this morning at St. John's hospital, the age of 52 years, 10 months and 26 days. Mr. Soule was born at Troy, Me., and came to this city, where he has made his home for the past 50 years. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. W. G. Huntley of Fitchburg, Mass., and Mrs. Samuel Scott of 229 Appleton street, this city, with whom Mr. Soule resided. Funeral notice later.

FUNERALS

GAVIGHAN—The funeral services of Hugh Gavighan were held at the rooms of Undertaker James F. O'Donnell & Sons yesterday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. Arthur Shaw, parochial priest of St. Anne's church. The bereaved wife, James Gavighan, William Foley and George Bray. Burial was in the Edson cemetery, where the committed prayers were read by Rev. Mr. Shaw.

AVILLA—The funeral of Domenick Avilla took place yesterday afternoon from his late home, his parents, John and Maria Avilla, of 107 Foster's court, where services were held. Rev. John Perry officiating. Burial took place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers M. H. McHugh & Sons had charge of the funeral arrangements.

BRADY—The funeral of Bridget Brady took place this morning from the rooms of Undertaker Peter H. Savage at 529 Oxford street, where services were attended by relatives and friends. The cortège proceeded to the Immaculate Conception church where a high mass of requiem was celebrated at 9 o'clock by Rev. Lawrence F. Tighe, O.M.I. The bereaved were John Freeman, Patrick J. Foley, Thomas A. Moloney and John J. Foley. Interment was in St. Patrick's cemetery. The Rev. Lawrence F. Tighe, O.M.I., read the memorial prayers. Undertaker Peter H. Savage in charge of the funeral arrangements.

WOOD—The funeral of William H. Wood, Jr., took place this morning at

8:30 o'clock from the home of his parents, William H. and Katherine (McEvoy) Wood, 312 Westford street and proceeded to St. Peter's church, where at 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. Daniel J. Heffernan. There were several beautiful floral offerings and spiritual bouquets. The casket was lined with the following bearers: Francis Tracy, Francis Conway, George Moulon, Bernard Boudreau, Homer Marquis and William O'Brien. The funeral proceeded to St. Patrick's cemetery, where the burial took place in the family lot, the committal prayers being read at the grave by the Rev. Daniel J. Heffernan. The funeral was largely attended and under the direction of Undertakers Higgins Bros.

HALIFAX RELIEF FUND

A contribution for the Massachusetts Halifax relief fund amounting to \$2,000 was received this morning by Mayor O'Donnell from T. F. G.

ARMY AND NAVY

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who is in charge of the recruiting depot at Halifax was in the devastated city at the time of the explosion and was seriously injured about the head. He was later able to come to Boston, however, and told of what had happened to 250 recruits for the Marine Corps. He who was drilling in the drill shed of an armory in Halifax at the time of the big rumble. Although the shed was entirely destroyed not one of the 250 men who were in it was seriously injured. Ba-

fore the full impact of the explosion had been felt they rushed into the armory proper and this building was so constructed that it was not at all injured by the disaster. The escape of the soldiers was considered somewhat of a miracle by the officials.

John Catterall of 230 Fayette street has signed up with the 24th Canadian battalion and will go to Quebec tomorrow.

Harry Lowe of 59 Hudson street left this morning for Boston where he will become a member of Uncle Sam's naval forces. He enlisted at the local station as an apprentice seaman.

Corn. Frank C. Cox of the local regular armory signed up eight men on the waiting list who cannot find work or were not able to find work in Boston because of the lack of accommodations there. He expects things will loosen up in a few days, however.

Men who are in the charge are but who still want to do their bit actively may have an opportunity to join the United States Guards of the National Army. Men who have previous military experience or who have been members of police or fire departments are especially desired for the branch.

James Brown, who has an artificial arm and leg, is employed picking oranges in an orchard near Lindsay, Calif. He is considered the most rapid and efficient picker on the force and averages around 100 boxes of fruit daily. A normal man who can pick 80 boxes is considered an expert.

TREATY BETWEEN U. S. AND SWITZERLAND

BERNE, Switzerland, Dec. 18.—The text of the new commercial treaty with the United States was published in Switzerland today and caused an excellent impression everywhere. All the Swiss newspapers express the warmest gratitude of the Swiss people to President Wilson and the American government. The Bund says: "America has acted toward Switzerland as a real friend in need."

According to the Bund, the Swiss grain stocks have been reduced to about 6000 wagons of wheat, so that without American assistance Switzerland was approaching serious food difficulties.

TWO CHIMNEY FIRES

The members of Engine 5 were called to extinguish a chimney fire at 55 Lakeview avenue at 7:45 o'clock last night.

At 7:25 o'clock Hose 10 was called to extinguish a chimney fire at the corner of Mammoth road and Clinton avenue.

There was no damage done in either case.

IN DREAMS IT HAPPENS



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Natural Raccoon Coats,

45 inches long, fine quality dark skins, large sweep,

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lars, \$125, \$150,

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AMERICA ASCENDANCY TO FINANCIAL SUPREMACY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—America's ascendancy to financial supremacy in the world in the brief space of three years, gives every promise of continuing after peace comes, according to the annual report of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce.

"It is probable that the demand by European countries, the report says, 'especially Russia, France and Belgium, for building material, machinery, railway equipment and other construction and reconstruction material will be larger than during the war. Much of our new business in South and Central America, Australia and the far east, as well as in Africa, is expected to be permanent, especially in view of our increased purchases of raw materials and finished products from these countries.'

Since 1914 the gold has been steadily toward the United States. In payment for this country's goods, until one-third of the world's visible supply of gold is held here. Net imports of gold have amounted in three years to \$1,164,000,000, and in addition millions of dollars worth of American securities held abroad have been returned here in exchange for merchandise. Millions also have been loaned to foreign securities and government loans made by the United States have made loans to the allied governments amounting to \$2,250,000,000 to the close of the fiscal year 1917.

"Three years ago the suggestion that the United States would soon be a creditor nation received scant respect either here or abroad," the report says. "Now speculation is turning to the future rank among creditor nations."

The fiscal year 1917 was the nation's greatest year in foreign trade, due almost entirely to higher prices and not to larger quantities.

"That higher prices are not confined to the United States, but are general throughout the world is proved by the increases in the prices of imported articles," says the report.

Exports in 1917 were valued at the unprecedented sum of \$6,234,000,000, and imports were \$2,660,000,000. The exports showed an interesting feature in the growth in sales of completed manufacture, \$2,944,000,000. The tendency is toward imports of raw materials and decreased sales of finished manufacturers made a striking contrast on the other side of the ledger.

"There has been a pronounced tendency

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ing held last Sunday and at which plans for the building Company C, 302d Machine Gun battalion, reported the doings of the meeting and they distributed 100 tickets among the members of the association for the event to be conducted for the benefit of the company. In the course of the meeting Lieut. T. E. Vought and two privates addressed the gathering.

It was voted to open the clubhouse to all men in uniform from 10 a. m. to 11 p. m. and the following committee was appointed to purchase a larger service flag than is now floating from the building: Napoleon Lorette, Joseph Arbour and Joseph L. Lamoureux.

The resignation of Napoleon Lorette as librarian was accepted with regret and his successor will be chosen in the near future.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Louis St. Jean; vice president, Adelard St. Jean; recording secretary, Thomas Berube; assistant recording secretary, Adelard Labrecque; treasurer, Joseph L. Lamoureux; financial secretary, Napoleon Lorette; assistant financial secretary, Edmund Fontaine, Jr.; corresponding secretary, Richard Dalgie; chief marshals, Isidore Trudeau and Raoul Pelletier; directors, Emery Racette, Joseph Tremblay and Ludger Ouellette; interior sentinel, Joseph Boutilier; exterior sentinel, Emile Beuchene; medical examiner, Dr. George E. Caisse.

It was announced that the installation will be held on the third Tuesday in January and the following committee has been appointed to prepare an entertainment program: Larry Boule, George Simard, Philippe Morin, Hector Laplante and Hector McDonald.

MAYOR-ELECT THOMPSON GETS LETTER RELATIVE TO INFANT MORTALITY HERE

Mrs. B. N. Burke, president of the Lowell Guild, has written a letter to Mayor-elect Perry D. Thompson, calling his attention to the high rate of infant mortality in Lowell and the advisability of employing two additional health nurses, one by the guild and the other by the city. The mayor-elect has replied that he will be glad to meet the guild workers at their convenience.

The two letters follow:

Lowell, Mass., Dec. 14, 1917.
Mr. Perry Thompson.

My Dear Sir: As president of the Lowell Guild, I may offer congratulations upon your recent election as mayor?

I am sure that during your term of office you will be interested in all that pertains to the welfare of the city. I wish therefore to bring to your attention the need for additional health nurses. The Lowell Guild, which at present supervises the school nurses in connection with its own district, further health work by the city, and particularly in baby welfare work.

The very high death rate in Lowell, among children under one year of age, emphasizes the need of an aggressive campaign to conserve child life and prevent such an appalling infant mortality. With this end in view the guild hopes shortly to employ one additional child welfare nurse, and if it were possible for the city to supply another, an appreciable decrease in the death rate may be accomplished.

Such a nurse should have the special training for this work as given by the Boston Instructive District Nursing association, and I suppose in the case of being employed by the city, must also have passed a civil service examination. This is a measure urged by the department of the state board of health, which has appointed a child welfare conservation committee for Lowell, of which I have the honor to be chairman. The council of the Lowell guild would be very glad if you would grant us an interview for the discussion of the matter of health nurses, before the budget for the year is completed.

With every good wish for your success as mayor,

I am sincerely yours,
Rebecca Norcross Burke.
(Mrs. Edward N. Burke.)

Mayor-elect Thompson's reply is as follows:

Lowell, Mass., Dec. 17, 1917.
Mrs. Edward N. Burke, President of the Lowell Guild.

In acknowledging receipt of your letter on Dec. 14, I first want to thank you for your congratulations and good wishes.

No person could possibly be more interested in everything that pertains to the welfare of this city than myself.

I realize and appreciate the good work which has, and is being done by the Lowell guild.

I shall be pleased to meet the council of the Lowell guild at their convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Perry D. Thompson,
3142 Donovan Bldg., Lowell, Mass.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

Representatives of lodges of the Knights of Pythias of Lowell, Ayer, Fitchburg and Leominster attended the "Camp Devens" night, which was held Monday evening under the auspices of Harbinger Lodge at the town hall of Ayer. One of the features of the evening was the degree work of Peter Woodland Lodge of Lynn, which sent a large delegation to the event.

Present at the meeting were about 50 members of the National army at Camp Devens as well as all the members of Butler Ames Lodge of this city in uniform. Entertainment numbers were given and refreshments were served.

The committee in charge of the arrangements included B. H. Allen of Uniform Rank Butler Ames company of Lowell, chairman; N. A. Nichols of Chevalier-Middlesex Lodge, Lowell, and E. F. Griffin of Uniform Rank Butler Ames company, Lowell. The "Camp Devens night" was only one of the many things which the Pythians have planned for the entertainment of the soldier boys. On Christmas morning a large number of Lowell Pythians will journey to Camp Devens and distribute Christmas presents and tokens.

The next meeting of the service committee will be held at Harbinger Lodge, Ayer, Sunday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock. All members of the order are invited to attend.

AMERICA ASCENDANCY TO FINANCIAL SUPREMACY

"ency," says the report, "to buy direct from the original source of supply instead of through middlemen as heretofore."

Most of the exports went to Europe, consisting in the main of army supplies, foodstuffs, and iron. Increases were made in commerce with Latin-American the far east and remote parts of the world which formerly were customers of European countries. It is this new trade which the bureau is organizing to aid American manufacturers to retain after the war; and Major Burwell S. Cutler, chief of the bureau, says can be done despite the United States becoming a belligerent, adding:

"It is confidently expected that our trade with South America, the far east, South Africa and with Australia will not be too seriously interfered with and that we may reap in the future the fruits so successfully cultivated by us during the past four years."

Exports to North American countries increased from \$529,000,000 in 1914, to \$1,164,000,000 in 1917, a gain of 120 per cent. Shipments to South America more than doubled, rising from \$125,000,000 to \$260,000,000. Exports to Asia increased more than three-fold, from \$15,000,000 to \$55,000,000. Sales to Oceania rose from \$84,000,000 to \$111,000,000, and to Africa from \$25,000,000 to \$52,000,000.

An interesting fact recorded in the report is that war has not stimulated exports of raw materials, which are needed at home and which it is difficult to ship owing to the war, although exports to South America increased by \$54,000,000 after the depression in the market during the first two years of the war.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Louis St. Jean; vice president, Adelard St. Jean; recording secretary, Thomas Berube; assistant recording secretary, Adelard Labrecque; treasurer, Joseph L. Lamoureux; financial secretary, Napoleon Lorette; assistant financial secretary, Edmund Fontaine, Jr.; corresponding secretary, Richard Dalgie; chief marshals, Isidore Trudeau and Raoul Pelletier; directors, Emery Racette, Joseph Tremblay and Ludger Ouellette; interior sentinel, Joseph Boutilier; exterior sentinel, Emile Beuchene; medical examiner, Dr. George E. Caisse.

It was announced that the installation will be held on the third Tuesday in January and the following committee has been appointed to prepare an entertainment program: Larry Boule, George Simard, Philippe Morin, Hector Laplante and Hector McDonald.

"They help me so much and I find relief as soon as I begin taking my Foley Kidney Pills." Mrs. Frank P. Wood, Merrimac, R. F. D. No. 2.

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS BY THE C. M. A. C.

An important meeting of the members of the C. M. A. C. was held last evening in their well appointed quarters in Pawtucket street and a feature of the evening was the election of officers for the ensuing year. The meeting was presided over by President J. A. Fortier and several new members were initiated. Messrs. J. A. Fortier, Louis St. Jean and Richard Dalgie, who represented the society at a meet-

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CANADA VINDICATED

Canada has sustained the Borden government in its attitude on the war and has also endorsed conscription. Had she done anything else, she would have shown the white feather and nullified the glorious record of her brave soldiers and some of the hardest fought battles of the war.

We congratulate Canada, although we did not expect any other result. The province of Quebec will now have to do its share in the war although it has shown opposition to the war policy up to the present.

AS TO FIRING THE SOCIALIST

Editor Sun:—Why shouldn't congress kick out that socialist, Meyer London, the only member of the house treacherous enough to vote for our enemies?

There are several reasons, some political, some legal, some logical.

Meyer London was sent to congress to represent the opinion and wishes of a certain district, which he undoubtedly did in voting, alone, against war with Austria. True, a congressman is supposed to also represent the country at large, but it is the law of the socialist party, a law that curses it in the eyes of the vast majority of intelligent Americans, that it is the socialist party, first, last and all the time, regardless of all else. London voted correctly. Certain it is that if he had not so voted, he would be kicked out of his job and equally certain is it that, if congress goes to firing its members who stick to the demands of their districts, pretty exclusively, we'll see a lovely procession of congressmen homeward bound.

But Meyer London is not wholly a calamity. Most good causes are better from having a kick or two. It would be mighty bad if we all settled back in absolute safety and perfectly complete unanimity. London at least shows us where kaiserism is and what it's at. With the fierce little socialist boil on the back of our neck, we are not likely to oversleep.

THE RUSSIAN PEACE

Judging from the proposals of peace between Russia and Germany, it appears that the Bolshevik officials are yielding practically everything of advantage to the Germans. Germany holds the conquered territory and arranges for control of the Baltic and Black seas, together with commercial intercourse, "kultur" and exploitation such as will soon make the entire Russian dominions the base of supplies from which she can draw not only food and material in abundance but as many men as she may require.

Lenine and Trotzky are simply selling out the nation to Germany in the most flagrant manner. They ask the ambassadors of the Entente powers which Russia has deserted to join in the peace negotiations, but it is not likely that these diplomats will be allowed to have any hand in such betrayal of Russia. They may, however, protest against this obvious betrayal of the allied cause by the Bolsheviks who temporarily represent the Russian people.

The mere withdrawal of Russia would be bad enough, but her agreement to supply the needs of Germany will offset the effect of the allied blockade of German ports. It will give the Central powers a new lease of life and new strength to maintain the war for one or two years longer.

The population of the conquered territory in Russia alone is 20,000,000. The men from this area can be drafted for war after the peace with Russia. Moreover the German prisoners released from Russia will number nearly a million men, most of whom will be returned to service at the front. Thus it appears that before the United States gets into the war Germany will be able to strike a tremendous blow on the western front and she is now making extensive preparations with that end in view. She will also be able to raise fortifications along the greater part of the western front against the expected spring drive.

It was hoped the spring would see the end of the struggle; but in view of the new power given to Germany by Russia, that hope has practically vanished. For the immediate future the Central powers have gained more by the collapse of Russia than have the allies by the expense of their cause by the United States.

SUPPOSE YOU WERE THEY

When a living, breathing human victim of injustice knocks very often at your front door, sometimes as often as twice a day, you are pretty near the Hun class if you sit back in your soft comfort and refuse to be interested.

How much do you know about those fine fellows who serve you in blizzard or sleet, in rain or sunshine, in heat, in heat, between the lightning flashes, the letter carriers? You see them, at this season of the year, working far into the night under loads that would stagger a horse. Does it ever strike you that they are your employees, doing your work, under your pay? Does it ever strike you that if great injustice is being done these faithful fellows, it's because of your indifference, your absorption in self?

The foregoing to awaken you to the fact that the postal workers, your employees, are asking an increase of pay from you, in a bill presented in your congress. How have you been treating them?

You have given them one increase

and, last year, your postoffice department returned you a net surplus of \$6,827,286.07.

Moreover, in the last session of your congress you raised the pay of all government employees except those of your underpaid, profit-making postoffice department.

Now, don't try to dodge the responsibility! Don't try to satisfy yourself by saying that it's up to congress! It is your congress. The shame and injustice of this thing are roosting right on your doorstep. It is your congress, your money, your employees, nobody else's, and so the whole responsibility is yours. Write to your congressmen and senators and urge that they increase the pay of your faithful postal employees, with your money so as to give them a wage commensurate with the value of their service according to present day standards.

SEEN AND HEARD

Love may be blind, but all lovers should remember that the neighbors aren't.

The boy who thinks he knows what he is going to be when he grows up is usually wrong.

If some people should think always before they spoke, they would have to do some rapid thinking.

The first thing the soldier has to do is to learn to obey orders. That helps to fit him for being married.

Really, you ought to feel flattered

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Do your bit. If you have made money, give money and spend money. Give encouragement to every line of endeavor and industry by helping to circulate the billions that are being spent in this country. This is one way of defeating the enemy.

This may be contrary to the advice of certain pessimists, but the present is no time for long faces.

Christmas Stockings Should Be Filled as Never Before.

when a man writes to you to ask your opinion about something and encloses a three-cent stamp for your reply.

A New Edible
The other evening, a would-be fashionable woman called at a neighbor's, at what she thought would be supper time.

"Come in," said the neighbor, "we are having tableaux." "I'm so glad," said the visitor, "I thought it would be better than anything else for supper." —Pittsburgh Chronicle Telegraph.

Real Sherman
"That boy of mine is a natural-born showman," said the mother. "What makes you think so?" "He gives circuses every afternoon

in our backyard that are the talk of the neighborhood." " Aren't you afraid he'll break his neck performing on a trapeze or making high jumps?"

"No, indeed. He just takes the ticks off that's why I think he's a natural-born showman." —Birmingham Age-World.

Old Lady's Find
Breathless with excitement during the cold weather, the old lady appeared at the window of the lost property office.

"I found something in the train," she said. "What is it, ma'am?" inquired the clerk.

"I don't know; it's a box with handles at each end. It may be a bomb, an infernal machine. Fetch a policeman." "Let me see it, ma'am," asked the clerk.

"Certainly not; it may be a jewel-case. It is made of metal and it's very heavy. Send for the station master," she said.

"Won't you let me see it?" "No, I will not. Try to cheat an old woman out of her reward. Send for the station master and a policeman."

These two worthies having arrived, the old lady showed her find to the expectant crowd.

"Now," she said, "what is it?" "What's that?" roared the station master.

"That thing? Why, it's a foot-warmer." —Rehoboth Sunday Herald.

Give Us Coal
The cellar pipes are busted
And the beater's frost-excruciated
And the halls with snow are dusted
Which is chilly to the sole,
There is ice on all our dishes
And we're cold as frozen fish
Hearken! We're broken to our wishes
Give us coal!

Here's the roll,
For the precious love of Peter, give us coal!

Give Us Coal
We will pay most any toll
If you'll only give us coal, coal, coal!

We don't ask to have our big fall,
Give us just a baking tin full,

For we know the waste is sinful,
And we'll use the precious fuel,

done by dole,

From a poor field or a fair field,

For the love of Mike! Sir Garnet,

Send us coal,
By the bucket or the bowl,

Ere our freight frames grow rigid

And we're corporal, frozen whole
Give us just a teeny-weeny bit
of coal!

—Burton Bracey.

Entwined Women
A writer, in paying tribute to the splendid war work of the majority of women, indicated a minority of "unentwined" women, including those who give themselves a good time under the pretense that they are "giving boys a good time," unoccupied educated women in the homes of well-to-do parents, and single women living alone, lives in boarding houses.

Here is the other side of the story, as presented by a woman "stoker":

"Take my own case."

At first, like many another, I did not realize that the grip of war was going to tighten so relentlessly on our country. But when I did realize it I began to wonder what the situation in order to see where I came in in the national scheme of things.

I have been a working woman all my life first as a fully qualified teacher, then as a specialist in certain directions in business. I have known all the time that I have none of the essential qualities of a nurse, and the only part of teaching that was too much for me was the more or less continuous standing.

So it followed logically that I should be useless to my country either as a nurse or as a teacher, so I began to look for constant standing that would be necessary. But I offered my services voluntarily in connection with the details of the particular business with which I was acquainted, and I also, at the particular offer, offered myself as a volunteer helper in connection with the national educational movement which I read were being organized at the time, in view of difficulties after the war.

In both cases my offer was refused.

My offer was not required.

The question remains: Ought I to have offered my services for nursing or for those other branches of help when I knew perfectly well that

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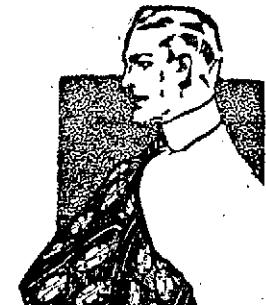
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The picture above shows but a portion of the largest knitting class ever formed. These girls are employed in the manufacturing plant of one of Chicago's leading industries when this photograph was taken 277 women and girls are knitting. An expert teacher is provided on two nights a week to show the beginners and instruct in the difficult stitches.

RED CROSS WORKERS

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conjunction with Mrs. Boyden H. Pillsbury, the campaign membership secretary, has charge of the work. Yesterday afternoon, a corps of young

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LONG LIVE THE KING

Here's the kind of monarch we admire and envy. He's the "Back Yard Potato King," living at Huntington Beach, Cal. Name's A. J. Young, and he's the greatest authority on tubers in the west. His instructions to farmers this year resulted in doubling the ordinary output in California. For 22 years he's raised potatoes on the same ground, producing 400 bushels to the acre. Is he rich? What a foolish question. Look at that mountain of spuds.

When the knitting class gets out needles and yarn, typewriters, etc., are provided on two nights a week to show the beginners and instruct in the difficult sections. One row in making sweaters; another, scarfs; another,

helmets, and so on. Thus the inexperienced knitter can look over her neighbor's shoulder when a knotty problem confronts her.

ladies from the commercial department of the high school assisted in the work and their services were very much appreciated. They will continue this work for the rest of the campaign.

A meeting will be held Friday evening, Dec. 22, and the final meeting will take place the night after Christmas when a dinner will be served and final reports made.

The campaign is just beginning to strike a healthy stride, and the next few days should see a real or action rally. A systematic canvass of the various trades and professions is being made and there is hardly a person in the city who will escape the appeal of the workers. As the campaign slogan says, "A heart and a dollar" is all that a person needs to become a 1918 member of the great American Red Cross society.

At the war work headquarters in Merrimack street more than 150 new membership subscriptions have been taken in. The central location of this agency has proved convenient to many persons down town who wished to join the society, but who had not been reached by any of the workers.

The Boy Scouts are doing their bit to help the war. Headquarters have been established at the Highland club and Scout Executive Alex E. Williams is on hand every day from 4 to 6:30 to direct the work of the young canvassers.

Persons who are unable to get downtown and who are not "covered" by the campaign workers may have the details of their signing up arranged by a scout, or the scout will merely call at the Highland club of the scout headquarters in Shattuck street.

One difficulty which the scouts have to face is the fact that many people are signed up at their place of employment and when a scout goes to a home he is often told that the numbers of the family have given in their subscription downtown. But in some instances the downtown canvassers find certain individuals and here the scouts are on hand to get in

the local chapter and whose members do not expire until later are asked to rejoin at this time so that a uniform method of bookkeeping may be established.

Although the campaign is designed intrinsically to help the Red Cross, half of each subscription fee will be turned over to the local chapter of the society and the other 50 per cent will go to the national organization.

Thus the campaign has a financial aspect which the people of the city cannot overlook at this time when the Red Cross needs every cent it can possibly acquire in the furthering of its great work.

People who are already members of

JAPAN'S CROWN PRINCE LEADS IN ATHLETICS

Crown Prince Hirohito of Japan is showing young Nippon how the best Samurais traditions may be converted into the realm of sports to the glory of the race. At 16 he is a leader in ath-

BRITISH LABOR'S ATTITUDE

Important Conference to Discuss Attitude Towards War and Peace

Meeting of World-Wide, If Not Revolutionary, Consequence

LONDON, Nov. 29 (Correspondence of the Associated Press).—British labor's attitude towards war and peace will be the chief subject of discussion at the 17th annual conference of the Labor party beginning Jan. 23. Advance copies of the Argus which have just been issued, contain important sidelights on what it is believed may prove to be a meeting of worldwide, if not revolutionary, consequence with regard to the relations between capital and labor.

Among the resolutions to be submitted is one by the British socialist party which says, in effect, that labor's participation in the government has not resulted in any tangible results to the mass of the people. The resolution adds "neither has the association of the labor party with the government assured that the coming peace will be made by the democracy rather than by capitalistic diplomacy." The document also says: "The methods employed to remove Mr. Henderson from the war cabinet when failing to perfect accord with the decisions of the labor party prove that participation in the government and fidelity to the labor movement are incompatible." It will therefore be urged by the socialists that members of the labor party now holding office be withdrawn.

An independent labor party will submit a resolution which calls upon the government "to provide for the direct representation of the organized democracy in every conference which discusses the condition of peace."

It continues: "No obstacle should be put in the way of responsible representatives of labor conferring together with a view to arriving at such an un-

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PETERS ELECTED MAYOR OF BOSTON BY 9072

VOTE FOR MAYOR

Andrew J. Peters	37,924
James M. Curley	28,850
James A. Gallivan	19,415
Peter A. Tague	1,694
James Oneal	345

Peters's Plurality 9,072

FOR THE CITY COUNCIL

First Three Elected

Lane	36,835
Morley	34,321
Hagan	31,708
Cassidy	28,113
Wellington	26,574
Murphy	26,329
Leonard	21,684
Carroll	15,258
Coffey	11,719

Re-elected

FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE	
First Two Elected	
Lane	51,341
Corcoran	50,855
Lee	45,470
Kenny	45,160

VOTE ON LICENSE

For	54,260
Against	30,775
Majority for license	23,485

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—Andrew J. Peters, former assistant secretary of the treasury, was chosen mayor of the city yesterday, a victory of 9072 over one of the most exciting and bitterly contested elections in local history.

Mayor James M. Curley, who sought re-election, ran second; Congressman James A. Gallivan, third; Congressman Peter A. Tague, fourth, and James Oneal, fifth. With the exception of Mr. Oneal, who is a socialist and ran on stickers, the candidates are democratic in national politics. The tickets in the city election were non-partisan.

Four years ago, Mayor Curley defeated Thomas J. Kenney for mayor by 5740 votes.

The city went Heans with a slightly increased majority over last year. The vote was 54,260 to 30,775; the majority of 23,485. Last year, the vote was 63,417, no. 20,328; a majority of 23,089.

Daniel W. Lane and Councilman Henry E. Hagan, who, with Mr. Peters, were endorsed by the Good Government association, were elected to the

city council. James T. Moriarty, carrying the strong endorsement of organized labor, was also elected to the council.

Richard J. Lane and Michael Corcoran were chosen to the school committee. Both these candidates were supported by Mayor Curley, and Mr. Corcoran also carried the endorsement of the Good Government association. Joseph Lee and William S. Kenny, the other two candidates of the association, candidates were defeated.

Three classes of trucks have been provided. Class AA with 3 1/2-ton capacity was the last to be worked out by the two motor engineers who contributed many new ideas. Manufacture of the Class B truck, having a rated capacity of three tons, already has started after exhaustive tests of the sample cars. Three sample trucks of the Class A variety, capacity of 1 1/2 tons now are being tested. One left Detroit today from the plant of the Denby Motor Truck company, and will be joined to Cleveland tomorrow by one from the White Co. They will be run to the factory of the Autocar Co., will complete the party for the trial trip to Washington.

The campaign for mayor was largely on personal lines, all the candidates, including the mayor himself, insisted that the one big issue was "Curley" and his administration for past four years.

Mayor Curley failed last night to appear at a jubilation meeting previously arranged for him at the hall, and the meeting was dismissed when a message was read from the mayor conceding the election of Mr. Peters.

There was much excitement during the day in Ward 5 in the West End, where Representative Martin M. Lomaxay, a well known democratic political leader, has his home. Mr. Lomaxay announced Sunday night that he would support Mr. Peters, and gave out his recommendations for the distribution of the 12 precincts in the ward. The tabulation shows the recommendations were followed closely. In this ward it was estimated last night that 500 voters, many of them city employees, were challenged by Curley workers, and that only these were allowed to vote in one precinct. There were several free-for-all fights in this precinct, during one of which Election Commissioner Frank Seibert was struck on the jaw. He was unable to identify his opponent.

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METHUEN HAS FIRST ELECTION AS CITY

METHUEN, Dec. 19.—Samuel Rushton was elected mayor by a majority of 94 votes over Harrison Turner yesterday in the first election under the new city charter. Mr. Rushton, who has been chairman of the town board of selectmen, received 1145 votes as against 1051 votes for Mr. Turner, a business man.

The new city went no-license by a majority of 365 votes. The vote was: No. 1250; yes, 881. As a town last year the license vote was: No. 937; yes, 685.

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NORTH ADAMS BACK IN "WET" COLUMN

NORTH ADAMS, Dec. 19.—After a year of no-license, this city returned to the license column yesterday by a majority of 345. Mayor Whitaker, with both republican and democratic nominations, was re-elected without opposition. The republicans elected six out of seven councilmen and captured all of the other city offices.

Owing to the spirited fight on the license question, an unusually large vote was cast. The vote on license was: Yes, 1887; no, 1338. Last year: Yes, 1596; no, 1836.

WALTHAM TO ELECT CITY MANAGER

WALTHAM, Dec. 19.—Waltham held its first election yesterday under the new "Plan D" or city manager system, electing a council of five members, who will later elect a city manager. All of the candidates endorsed by the City Manager League, which was responsible for the new plan, were elected.

Under this plan the candidate receiving the highest number of votes will be known as mayor at a salary of \$2000 a year. George R. Beal, treasurer of the Waltham Savings bank, was the top of the slate with a vote of 2546 and takes this office. The others elected were William P. Earle, 2346; Joseph M. Quinn, 2357; Robert L. Morris, 2322, and Gleason, 2318. The first three on the list will serve for two years, the other two for one year.

Those defeated were Eben J. Williams, present mayor; Geo. W. Thorneburg, president of the board of aldermen; James E. Brackett, Thomas E. Bryson and Frank P. Martin.

Six members of the school committee were re-elected without opposition.

The city remained dry. The license vote was Yes, 1139; no, 1921. Last year's figures were: Yes, 1417; no, 267.

Meccano and Erector Sets at The Thompson Hardware Co.

NATIONALIZATION COURT

Clark William C. Dillingham of the superior court will be at his office in the court house on Gorham street on Wednesday, Jan. 2, at 10 a. m. for the purpose of receiving petitions for naturalization (second papers); and on Thursday and Friday, Jan. 3 and 4, at 10 a. m., for the purpose of receiving applications for first papers.

THIRTY STAMPS AS XMAS GIFTS

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 19.—The use of stamps in place of gold pieces as Christmas gifts is suggested by Howell Chaney, director for Connecticut of the national war savings committee. In an appeal to the banks of the state today, he asks that they suggest to their customers the advisability of giving thirty stamps and war savings certificates as holiday gifts.

GEN. PERSHING REPORTS DEATH OF ANSON, 1st INFANTRY MAN IN FRANCE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Gen. Pershing reported today that Private Scott B. Merrill of Anson, Me., had died December 16 of broncho-pneumonia. He was in the infantry and his nearest relative was given as Charles H. Merrill.

Authorized Agents for the Sale of Government Saving Stamps

Adams Hardware AND PAINT CO., Middesex St. Near Depot

STANDARDIZE ALL MOTOR TRUCKS AND TRAILERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Completion of designs for standardizing all the motor trucks and trailers needed by the government for peace as well as war work was announced today by the quartermaster corps.

Three classes of trucks have been provided. Class AA with 3 1/2-ton capacity, double ended, at the plants of the Grant Motor Car Co., Cleveland, and Detroit Trailer Co., Detroit. A third type will be devised for the special use of the signal corps to have two wheels and pneumatic tires.

Brig. Gen. Chauncey B. Baker has been in personal charge of standardizing the designs for government motor vehicles. While the majors portion of the new trucks will be put into war work, some will be used by the post office department and thousands will be turned over to civilian uses of the government when victory has been won.

Many parts of all three trucks are identical except in size to facilitate production and repair. An important feature will be the accessibility of mechanical parts, any one of which can be reached without removing another. Headlights will be attached to the radiator instead of the dashboard or mud guards. Special bodies will be provided for the uses of the signal corps, medical corps, bureau of docks and other departments, but all will fit the standards chassis.

Five test vehicles of the newly-designed Class AA truck have been ordered. Four will be assembled by the Federal Motor Car Co., Lansing, Mich.; Maxwell Motor Car Co., Detroit, and Wills-O-Verland Co., Toledo. The fifth will be assembled in Washington as a test against the drawings of the quartermaster corps.

Orders for the three classes of trucks will run into the tens of thousands. A preliminary order of ten thousand has been placed for the heavy Class B vehicle. Estimates of the number of Class A have not been made public, but of the class AA 3500 will be needed for ambulances; 1000 for ordnance work; 5000 for the signal corps and a vast number for the quartermaster corps. All of them, with trailers will be run overland to the seaboard.

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HELPING SAMMY SWAT THE KAISER

NEWS OF THE DAY IN THE POLICE COURT

It cost Max Cohen \$15 in police court this morning because he refused to stop his automobile and later to produce his license when Traffic Officer Frank L. Moloney ordered him to do so in Merrimack square on Dec. 7. Cohen was charged with a violation of the city ordinance by failing to stop upon demand of a police officer and upon being found guilty was ordered to pay a fine of \$15. Cohen had been found guilty of a violation of the motor vehicle law by failing to produce a license, an additional fine of \$10 was imposed.

According to the testimony offered by Officer Moloney, which was corroborated by two employees of the New England Telephone & Telegraph Co., Cohen came through Prescott street in Lowell on the 7th, driving his car. The officer signalled Cohen to stop, owing to the fact that he had given another vehicle the right of way. Cohen, instead of stopping, kept on going towards Bridge street, and the officer said that he would have been struck by Cohen's machine if he had not jumped out of the way. Officer Moloney ordered Cohen to stop, but the latter refused to do so. Finally Cohen pulled into Prescott street, but stopped his machine on the wrong side of the street. The officer then asked Cohen to produce his license and the latter said that it was too cold to pull it out of his pocket. Cohen was stubborn and upon failure to show the license Officer Moloney requested him to drive over to the police station. He also failed to comply with this demand. Officer Swanson was called and Cohen was taken to the police station.

Cohen, testifying in his own behalf, said that he was given a signal to go

MRS. ASTOR OPENS HER HOME TO U.S. OFFICERS

A new photograph of Mrs. Ava Willing Astor who has converted her Lou-

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PLAN TO COMBAT FALSE GARIBALDI'S GRANDSON ASKS FOR U. S. TROOPS

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—The activity of invisible enemies in circulating vicious, untrue stories as to shortage of foodstuffs and the alleged commandering of housekeepers' stores is to be combated by the women's committee of the council of national defense. A meeting is called for this afternoon at 3 p.m. in Hasty's Hall. "This is a new and highly important task," announces the women's committee, "confronting the women of America, one which, if successfully handled, may do much toward preventing possible riots and bloodshed. This is the matter of stamping out the many vicious, untrue stories concerning the alleged commandering of the housekeeper's stores by the government and false stories of shortages of various foodstuffs and other essentials."

"These stories doubtless have their origin in the minds of certain German propagandists, and if allowed to go unchallenged, may work the havoc that is intended among people who are not informed."

"The three latest buying drives

where whole cities have been cleared out, matches, laundry blue and salt, by panic-stricken housewives, can be directly ascribed to some such influence. The federal food administration announces that there is no shortage in any of these; that the national stock is as large as ever, with no possibility of a shortage with a normal demand by consumers."

"The case of laundry blue is perhaps the most significant. Rumor of a

shortage was traced to Jersey City, where it is believed that it had its

origin with a group of German agents.

It was stated that laundry blue con-

tained Prussian blue, which would

soon be unobtainable, and this lent

strength to the rumor."

Eleven leading women's organiza-

tions in the state are holding this

meeting with Mrs. George W. Per-

kins in charge of arrangements. All

patriotic women are invited. The chief

speaker will be Arthur Fairbrother.

WOMEN SHOULD DO WAR WORK

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"Women should do the war work for which they are best fitted. It is useless for women to be knitting stockings if they make better clerks or nurses. War work directors should avoid putting square pegs in round holes. Elimination of waste in human force is vital to efficiency and the ultimate winning of the war, and it is my opinion that women will have to be registered and classified in accordance with their ability if they are to render their full worth in war work."

The statement was made by Mrs. Frances C. Axtell, member of the United States employees' compensation commission, the only women ever named by any president for such a federal commission. This commission was recently created in the interest of economy and efficiency to both the government and to those who serve it. It is the outcome of the congressional enactment of last year which provides compensation for employees of the United States suffering injuries while in the performance of their duties, and for other purposes."

Mrs. Axtell, also a member of the executive committee of the committee on women in industry, the advisory commission of the council of national defense. In report to the women in industry committee, by Mrs. Axtell, she suggested that women might do much of the work now performed by men at the arsenals. She suggests that they might make and inspect the government uniforms and the release of women engaged in manufacturing them. She believes that they might also make the rope and twine used, and be relied upon for most of the small arms which are made at the arsenals. Mrs. Axtell sees no limit to woman's ability in any of the suggested spheres, and her opinion is given after keen, careful study of the situation by many and varied.

"The hazards among the women who are replacing the men in war work will be greater than ever before," said Mrs. Axtell, "and it is most important that women be prepared to do their part. The great problem today is the co-operation of business and government."

The Sun is read daily in more homes

in Lowell than any other newspaper.

MAY SEIZE FORTUNES OF THESE COUNTESSES

Property of these American heiresses—Countess Sigray (above) and Countess Mansfield (below)—may be seized by the United States unless they



Reports showing that any property they have in America is not helping the enemy. They are American wives of alien nobles. Countess Sigray was formerly Harriet Duly and Countess Mansfield was formerly Nora Jeloin.

PLAN TO COMBAT FALSE GARIBALDI'S GRANDSON ASKS FOR U. S. TROOPS

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 19.—We need a regiment of Americans." That is the message of Gen. Giuseppe Garibaldi, grandson of the famous Red Shirt Garibaldi, in command of the brave Alpine brigade which fought furiously to stem the Austro-German drive against Italy.

He says all the Italian army now lacks is a bunch of husky American fighters. They would prove a tremendous inspiration.

Garibaldi, soldier of fortune, became well known in the United States when he entered the services of Francisco I. Madero in Mexico and became his chief of staff and military advisor.

After the overthrow of Diaz he hurried to Greece and fought the Turks in the Balkan war.

When Italy threw her destinies into the allied ranks Garibaldi, his four brothers and his father, offered their services to Italy. Another brother had died in the French trenches before Italy declared war.

When the United States entered the conflict the elder Garibaldi offered the services of himself and his five sons to Uncle Sam.

Garibaldi, who has seen U. S. sol-

diers along the Mexican border and who commanded a band of American volunteers in Mexico, knows that worth.

These Americans were always in the front lines with Garibaldi in Mexico. They helped capture Juarez and they bore the brunt of the fighting at Casas Grandes. In both cases they went up against field artillery and machine guns with only the lightest of weapons.

Garibaldi, who served with Garibaldi in Mexico, knows the morale of the Italian army.—Captain Jack Neville, who served with Garibaldi in Mexico.

BIG BEEKEEPERS' SOCIETY STATE-WIDE ORGANIZATION TO BE FORMED

Sugar is scarce and honey must be one of the sweeteners to take its place. For this reason beekeeping has leaped into a position of unusual importance in the agriculture of Massachusetts.

The state board of agriculture through its apiculture inspector, service is making every effort to promote honey production, both through the suppression of disease and advertising the use of Massachusetts honey. This campaign is under direct charge of Dr. Burton N. Gates, state inspector of apiculture, Amherst, Mass., and at the annual winter meeting of the state board of agriculture at Worcester in January, Mr. E. R. Root, the bee expert from Medina, Ohio, will come on to address the farmers and beekeepers of the state on "The Importance of

Honey Production." The meeting will be held in the ball room of the Hotel Bancroft at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, January 9. Previous to this, at 1:30 o'clock in Horticultural hall there will be a big meeting of all interested in beekeepers' societies. At present there are several local beekeepers' societies, the Berkshires, Worcester, Boston, and the Massachusetts eastern Massachusetts, Hampshire, Franklin & Franklin, and Lawrence. These societies are doing good work but their efficiency is greatly increased if they are federated into a state-wide body.

In connection with the meetings there will be a splendid exhibit of honor and apiary appliances. Meetings are open to the public.

UNITED STATES DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE TO HAVE FARM LABOR AGENT

That the federal and state authorities recognize that the farm labor situation is a serious one is shown by the fact that a farm labor agent has been appointed for service with the state agricultural agent for Massachusetts will be Mr. D. W. O'Brien of Wayland and his headquarters will be at the office of the state board of agriculture, 136 State House, Boston.

Mr. O'Brien is a graduate of the Massachusetts Agricultural college,

and since graduation has been agricultural instructor in the Leominster high school and in the Boston school department. Mr. O'Brien's work will be to relieve the farm labor situation in every way possible. He will act as a clearing house for farmers desiring farm help and men looking for farm work and stands ready to co-operate with other agricultural agencies in the state in placing farm labor where it will do the most good and bring the most results in increasing farm production.

Mr. O'Brien is planning to make a labor survey of the farms of the state early in January, in co-operation with the state agricultural agent, the agricultural extension agent, in order to find out exactly what help is needed and where.

Farmers desiring help are urged to write to D. W. O'Brien, Farm Labor Agent, 136 State House, Boston.

NEW BILL WOULD TAX PRESIDENT'S SALARY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The salaries of the president and all the judges as well as of members of congress were

made subject to the excess profits tax of 8 per cent, in an amendment offered yesterday by Congressman Dillon of South Dakota to the bill putting salaries of members under the tax. The amendment was adopted 305 to 54. The bill was passed, 305 to 1.

Rep. John W. Connelly of Ohio endeavored to make the tax ineffective for salaried men and men in business with no invested capital. His amendment was defeated 98 to 56. The tax is to be applied on salaries in excess of \$6000.

MISS TITTERINGTON HONORED

Miss Minnie Titterington, an employee of the bullet department of the U. S. Cartridge Co., was honored at a banquet by about sixty of her friends

at Page's dining hall last night and during the course of the evening a presented a purse of gold, the newest speech being made by Albert Klinow. The following entertainment program was carried out: Songs: Martin Maguire, Edward Donohoe, Albert Klinow, Marletta McMahon and Mrs. Anna Chapdelaine, and readings by Miss Patricia L. L. and Miss Alice Chapdelaine. Those in charge were Miss Louise Rogers and Mrs. Julia Chapdelaine.

The valve of a whale's blowhole is a more perfect structure than it is possible to imagine. Day and night, asleep or awake, the whale works his breathing apparatus in such a manner that not a drop of water ever gets down into its lungs.

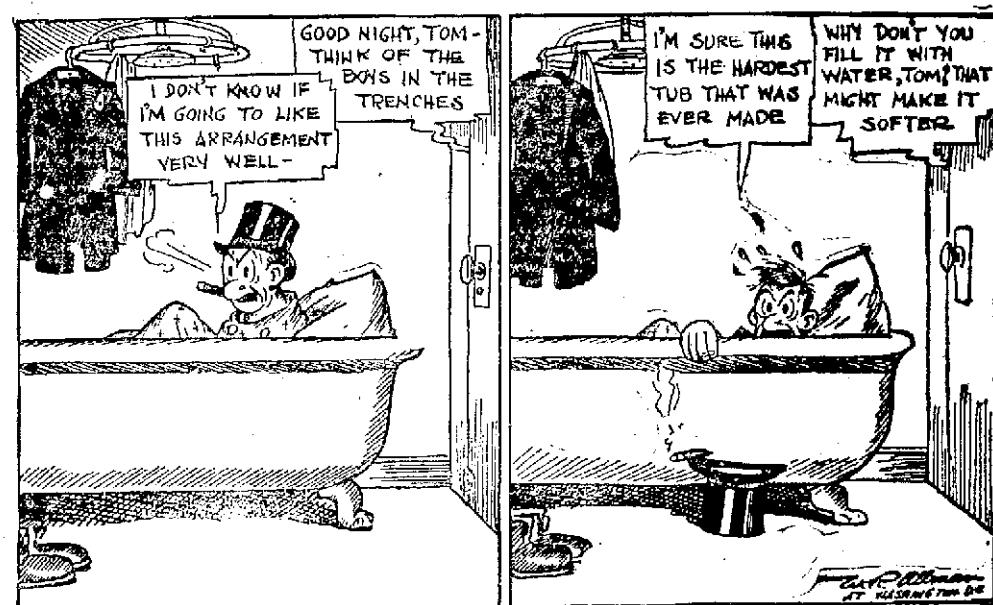
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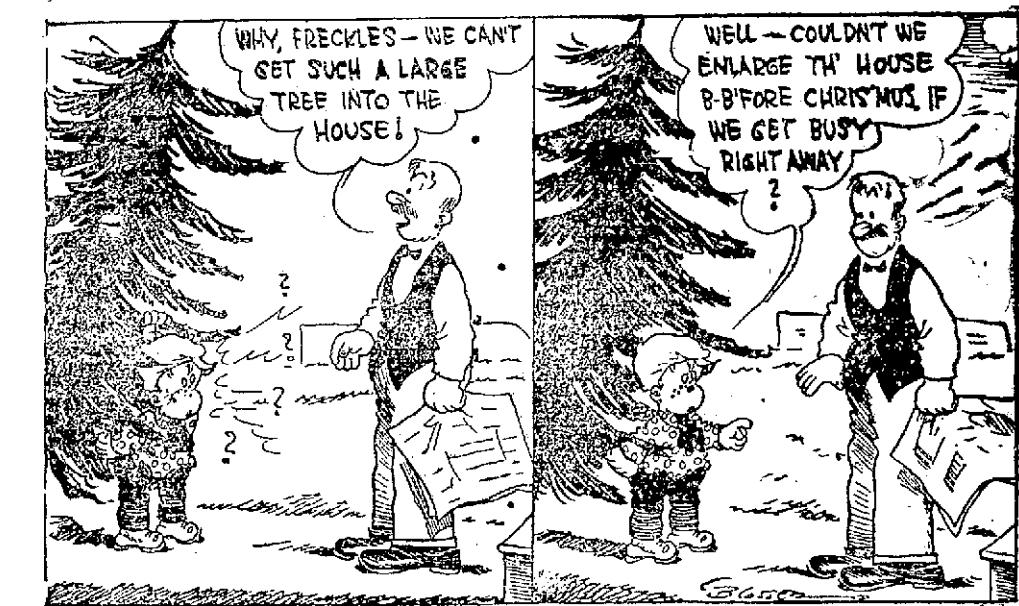
NEW BALM FOR THE SAVAGE BREAST

Charitable impulses cannot withstand the nerve strain of wrothy disorder. This curious fact has been discovered by the blind street troubadours of San Francisco, who rely upon public benefactions, and they have been quick to take advantage of it. They have substituted the phonograph for the old grind organ, finding that donations have more than doubled. The records range from "jazz" frenzies to the purest classics, and the musicians have developed an instinctive faculty for playing the right selection at the right time. Note the signs on this blind man's music box.

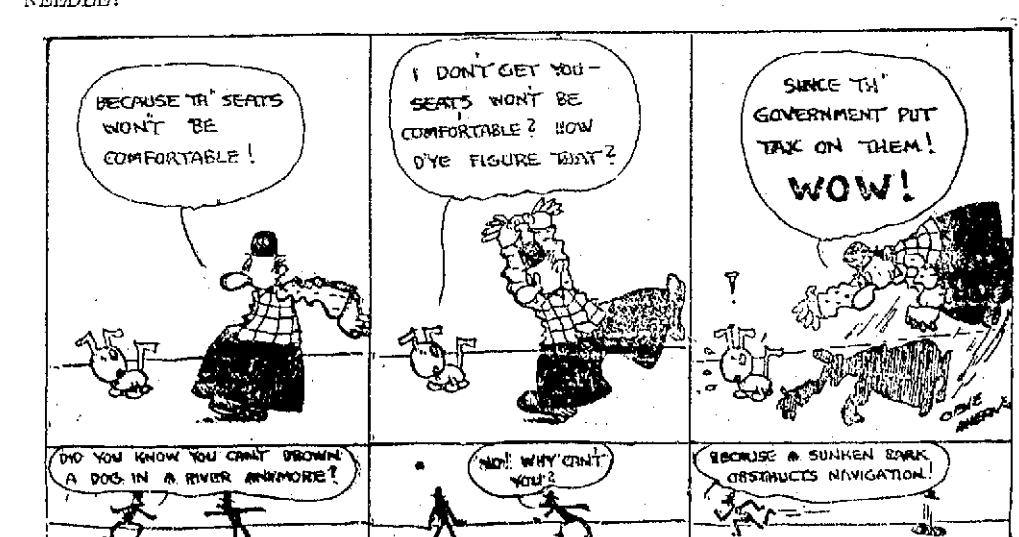
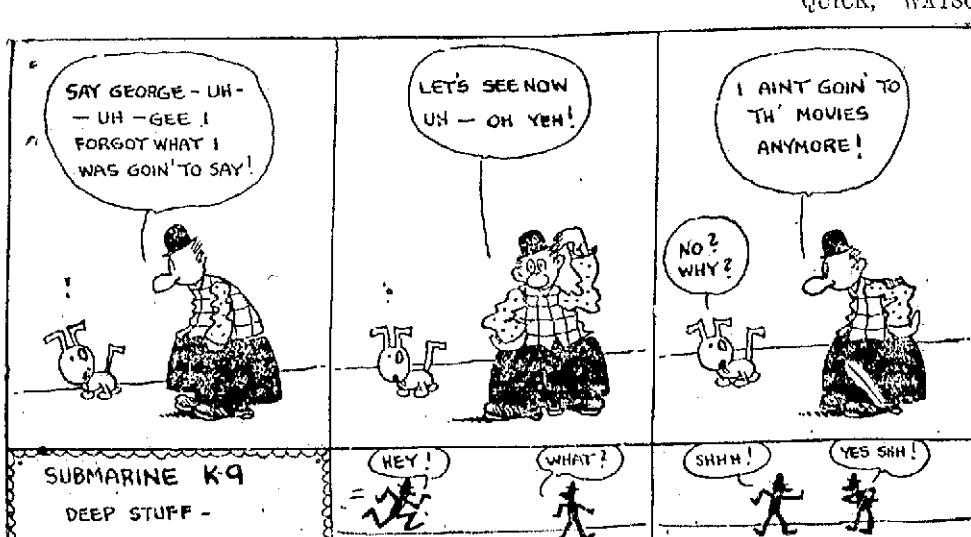
BEDS ARE SCARCE IN WASHINGTON



GEE! HE DON'T WANT MUCH, DOES HE?



QUICK, WATSON! THE NEEDLE!



LOWELL DEFEATS CITY LEAGUE BOWLERS HAVE AT IT

The famous "Jigger" Higgins and his pals from Worcester, met defeat at the hands of "Ferdie" Harkins' leaders, in a well played game at the Rollaway, last night. The score was Lowell 5, Worcester 2.

By winning last night's game Lowell increased its lead in the standing, and did so at the expense of its most dangerous competitor, Worcester holds onto second place with Providence third.

Last night's victory was another for Lowell's superiority in team work. This factor has played an important part in the leaders' play to date and demonstrates that regardless of the stars that may shine in the opposing lineup, the team with the best combination work invariably succeeds. Captain Harkins in taking charge of the Lowell team, utilized men in the making of an organization, and the success of the team shows what can be accomplished by collective effort.

Higgins gave a very spectacular exhibition and did all that one could do to win, but the effective blocking and covering of the ball must have kept the visitors from their best. Higgins is fast and an expert juggler, and while he employed all his cunning in an effort to bring about the desired results his stunts were all in vain.

The change from Monday to Tuesday, judging from the attendance, was a good move. A large crowd was present and enjoyed the game immensely. While of course the present were pulling for a Lowell win, they showed their appreciation of the game exhibition of the visitors, and the famous "Jigger" and his men received ample recognition for their classy plays.

The first period developed into a match between Higgins and Harkins and the fans were up to a classy exhibition. The ready Harkins, master of scientific and combination play, and the flashy and dazzling Higgins, gave all a chance to compare the different styles of play and the period ended after each had scored one goal, the total scoring for the period.

The second period found the two leaders still as equals, so scores, but as leaders for their respective teams. With the pair fighting it out, each following the other all over the cage, the ever reliable and hard driving Griffith came to the front as Lowell's scoring medium, and drove two goals into the net. This rapid shift of the play bewildered the visitors. In the first period they recognized their efforts on watching Harkins, and in the second they started in to do the same, but the Lowell "can" quickly doped the Worcester strategy, changed his plan of attack. During the fog end of the period, Lowell pulled off one of the best plays seen here this year. Harkins and "Ginger" in series, clashing, worked the ball down the floor to the Worcester end. With the entire Worcester team fighting strenuously to keep the ball out of the counting station, Oldham came up, and after hooking a fine pass landed the ball by Mullin for a score that brought down the house. It was a nifty piece of work. The period ended with the score Lowell 4, Worcester 4.

Despite the rather comfortable lead enjoyed by Lowell at the opening of the third period the "Jiggers" did not give up the ship. On the contrary, they went into the game with more "piz," and while Oldham hooked one into the net after 43 seconds of play, Higgins and his tribe never surrendered, either in an endeavor to pull down the lead. Higgins succeeded in counting one, but this proved the final goal of the night, for thereafter the Lowell team presented a defense that was impregnable. Harkins and Griffith were the stars for Lowell, while Higgins contributed the feature plays for the visitors.

The score:

LOWELL 5 WORCESTER 2

Ir. Mulligan
Harkins 2r
Fitzpatrick
Dennell b
Burkett g

Oldham 1r
Higgins
Fitzpatrick
Dennell b
Burkett g

First Period

Second Period

Third Period

Fourth Period

Fifth Period

Sixth Period

Seventh Period

Eighth Period

Ninth Period

Tenth Period

Eleventh Period

Twelfth Period

Thirteenth Period

Fourteenth Period

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19 LIVES LOST IN U. S. NAVAL COLLISION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Nineteen lives were lost when the American submarine F-1 was rammed and sunk by submarine F-3 in home waters during a fog on Monday afternoon.

The F-3 was undamaged and picked up five survivors of her victim.

Secretary Daniels announced the disaster late yesterday in a brief statement, which gave no further details.

Commander of F-1 Saved

Lieut. A. E. Montgomery, commanding officer of the F-1, was among the five saved. His mother, Mrs. Julia Montgomery Pratt, lives at Fort H. G. Wright, New York.

Other survivors are:

J. M. Schmissauer, machinist; father, Charles C. Schmissauer, Hills City, Tenn.

Henry L. Brown, gunner's mate; father H. P. Brown, Macon, Ga.

Joseph J. Burns, chief gunner's mate; wife, San Pedro, Calif.

John J. Stewart, ship's cook; mother, Mrs. Celia B. Campbell, Huron, S. D.

List of Men Lost

The list of those lost was announced by the navy department as follows:

THE PREPARATION THAT NATURE REQUIRES TO BUILD YOU A SET

of permanent teeth covers a long period of years. In a comparatively short time your teeth will decay to such an extent, that extraction is necessary.

To hinder ruin is the best course to follow. Unreliable teeth will do for those who will not care for natural teeth.

The liberal desire my patients have to introduce my operations, is evidence that they are enjoying satisfaction.

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Shop Early

Who Gives Electric Gifts Gives Wisely

THOUGHTFUL Givers whose good common sense and patriotism counsel wise spending and practical giving are doing their holiday shopping in our showrooms this year. Here are displayed scores of useful Electric Appliances that bring added comfort to the home—gifts that mean more leisure for the housewife, that save strength, that do work better, quicker and more economically.

Long after Christmas is over, Electric Gifts endure, bringing to the recipient day after day, welcome evidence of your thoughtfulness.

Electric Lamps, Percolators, Chafing Dishes, Toasters, Irons, Heaters, Pads, Washing Machines, Sewing Machines, Vacuum Cleaners, etc., are only a few of the desirable Christmas Gifts offered from which to make a selection.

Come In and Look Around

United States War Saving Certificates and Thrift Stamps

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THE LOWELL ELECTRIC LIGHT CORP.
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mate; father, Grant Stewart, Los Angeles; Lyman F. Lovley, machinist's mate; father, Lyman Lovley, Denver.

Ralph C. McMurtry, electrician; mother, Mrs. Josephine McClure, Detroit.

Duncan A. McRae, electrician; sister, Florence McRae, Blain, Wash.

John P. Messinger, chief machinist's mate; wife, Philadelphia.

George E. Mize, machinist's mate; wife, San Francisco.

Skates and Sleds at The Thompson Hardware Co.

LICENSE BOARD HEARS LIQUOR CASES

At the regular meeting of the license commission last night hearings were given on charges against Henry W. Carrigan of the Washington Tavern and Fred Lavigne and Narcisse Demarsal, holder of a first class liquor license.

Mrs. Lavigne and Demarsal were charged with violating the conditions of their license by selling liquor to an intoxicated person, the witnesses for the prosecution being Officers Palmer and Dwyer. Their testimony, which was substantially the same, was that the premises in Section street were visited by them about 10 o'clock on the afternoon of Dec. 13 and found a drunken man leaning up against the bar. He had a glass of beer in his hand. Officer Dwyer asked the man his name and was told it was Frank Lapointe. The man claimed he was sober, but when asked to walk across the floor it is alleged that the man staggered and fell, indicating he was under the influence of liquor.

He was placed under arrest and taken to the police station where he was booked for drunkenness. The following morning he was released after signing a statement admitting that he was intoxicated when brought into the police station.

John Demarsal, testifying in his own behalf, said that he had known Lapointe for several years, but that while the latter was smart in some ways he was silly in others. The witness stated that the man arrested at his place carries a heavy valise during the day and from the constant carrying of it leans towards one side and when he has money got the valise in his hands and still leans in that direction. Witness said that he did not consider the man drunk.

The matter was taken under advisement.

Officer Lennon said that he visited the Washington Tavern on Sunday, Nov. 18, and found 23 men in the dining room. There was one man sitting at a table who was in a drunken condition. While he was looking at the man one of the clerks came up to him and asked him if he wanted liquor. He drank part of the contents of some liquid in a glass and then witness stepped up to him and took the glass away. Officers Lennon and Noye placed the man under arrest and were brought to the police station. He gave the name of Edward S. Young of Stoneham and the following morning the man was released by the probation officer.

Officers Palmer and Dwyer testified to visiting the hotel in question on the same date and stated the conditions. Similar conditions were reported to have existed on Sunday, Dec. 2. One man present, whom Officers Palmer and a clerk was called. The man refused to give up his glass and Mr. John Magie, who was in charge of the place at the time, entered the room and took the glass away from the man. The man in question was placed under arrest and the following morning was released after being found guilty of drunkenness.

On Nov. 25 witnesses said they saw one being served liquor more than once on a sandwich, without partaking of their food. One man drank whiskey who was under the influence of liquor.

In testifying for the defense, John T. McNamee, one of the clerks, stated that on Nov. 18, he remembered the man in question and recalled that he had refused him service. While he had his back turned the fellow went to another table and helped himself to a glass of whiskey which another man had left there while he went to another side of the room. Jeremiah Moriarity, a sheet-metal worker of Boston, came forward to state that he was the man who originally ordered the glass of whiskey and had left it on the table with the understanding that he was to finish it when he returned. When he did come back he found the officers placing the man under arrest and the drink he had paid for, together with his sandwich, was gone. John E. Savage of Attleboro, who happened to be in the place at the time, told about the same story. He had seen the man who was later arrested by the officers, walk over to the table and help himself to a glass of whiskey which had been left there.

Last Sunday a man named Bryan was arrested from the place, the officers charging that he was intoxicated.

In testifying for the defense, the latter cont. Mr. Garrity stated that when he called at the hotel and learned what had happened he attempted to find out what clerk had served the man. Each one of the employees denied serving liquor to him and he, witness, immediately discharged every one and ordered his dining room closed. The officers testified that they called at the place later and found the place closed tight.

This concluded the giving of testimony. Mr. Garrity asked for the privilege of saying a few words and the request was granted. He stated that he was trying as hard as any man could to conduct his place in a proper manner, but the four liquor inspectors had apparently made it their business to persecute him and were forever doing him in and out of his hotel. The case was taken under advisement by the board.

Capt. Brosnan informed the board that the man had been given a license and informed of the importance of reporting daily on all goods purchased across the country. There were breaks made into William Hawley's store in Central street and also in Joseph Newell's home and after an investigation by inspectors of the police department the greater part of the stolen property was found in Howard's store.

Capt. Brosnan said he visited the store and got little or no satisfaction from the man. The latter intimated that he knew how to conduct his business and didn't intend to take orders from any one. "He's not a fit man to hold such a license, and I believe that it should be revoked," said the officer. The commission, on motion of Mr. Becker, experienced no hesitancy in revoking the license.

Following the hearings the following minor licenses were granted: Drivers permit, Samuel Leikland for Gervais & Co., common victualler, Nielson & Hooper, 19 Bridge st; coffee house, Peter Davison and George Konkler, 100 Market st; railroad and post transfer, John Jameson, from 243 Adams to 57 Summer street.

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Victrola Headquarters in Lowell

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Gloves are high and are going higher.

We have several hundred pairs in stock now that show but a slight advance over last year. If it's gloves for Christmas buy them today at the Merrimack Clothing Co., across from

Master Louis Watson, of Boston, head of the fourth degree in New England.

He will install the newly elected officers and heraldically address the members on several important topics.

It is expected that the program for the 1918 social season of the assembly will be discussed at this time and plans set on foot for the holding of affairs which will enlist the support of all the members.

It is expected that the members individually and collectively are working hand in hand with the parent organization to bring to a successful issue the various war work activities

and plans of the entire local council

and tomorrow evening's meeting will be but an epitome of the general activities that has characterized the Knights' activities in Lowell since last April.

Chief Navigator, Thomas B. Delaney will preside and Master Watson, who is a former state deity of the Knights in Massachusetts and an eloquent speaker, will be given a fine reception.

WARNERS AGAINST DANGER OF PLACING CANDLES BEHIND RED CROSS FLAGS

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—On account of the fire hazard and danger to life, the national board of underwriters has issued a warning against the suggestion made by headquarters of the American Red Cross that lighted candles be placed in windows behind Red Cross flags on Christmas eve as a stimulus to the campaign for ten million new members.

"The combination of lighted candles and home windows as ordinarily dressed," a statement from the board says, "is about as safe as the proverbial match and gunpowder barrel."

George S. Fowler, business manager of the Red Cross, has sent telegrams to all chapters of the Red Cross throughout the country, urging that the warning of the national board be heeded. The telegram suggests that curtains be taken down, shades raised and only the lights of the room used for the proposed illumination.

EVANS FOR STATE LIBRARIAN

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—Lawrence Boyd Evans, a lawyer, was nominated for state librarian today by Gov. Calvin Coolidge.

F. H. Alexander of Billerica, said

that the company had agreed to make

some definite proposition on continuing trolley service, but that no such proposition had come from them.

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an arrangement with the company, that all the residents expressed a willingness to pay double fares, and assume payment of the excise and franchise tax of the Bay State in their district.

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TROLLEY SERVICE HIBERNATES

Special to The Sun.

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 19.—"It hibernates, so to speak, during the winter, doesn't it?" suggested Commissioner Russell to Edwin S. Vining of Billerica, during a hearing before the public

Unsettled and warmer to-night; Thursday fair; light east to south winds.

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LOWELL MASS. WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 19 1917

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RED CROSS WORKERS WILL MEET THIS EVENING

The Red Cross campaign workers are asked to report at Memorial Hall this evening, and to bring in all the names of new members which they may have secured up to that time. The committee desires to have all the names in by 8 o'clock at the latest, and workers are advised to be on hand by 7:30. There will be nothing of a formal nature about the meeting, it is desired merely to have as complete a report as possible of the progress which the campaigners have made to date.

The name of every new member of the Red Cross which is obtained in the present campaign has to be catalogued, indexed and treated to a number of other operations, and one reason why the meeting is to be held in this evening is that this will avoid a grand rush the last few days of the campaign.

The names of the new members are being entered on a regular card system at the Red Cross headquarters in Market street, and a large force of stenographers is busy doing this work. Mrs. Clarence A. Bowen, in

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10 KILLED, 70 INJURED IN AIR RAID ON LONDON

LONDON, Dec. 19.—Ten persons were killed and 70 injured in London during last night's air raid. Outside of London five persons were injured.

The following official communication in regard to casualties was given out: "Last night's air raid casualties were: Ten killed and 70 injured in London; five injured outside London. Several fires occurred, but the material damage was not serious. There was no damage to naval or military establish-

ments."

German Plane Brought Down

LONDON, Dec. 19.—One of the German airplanes which took part in last night's raid over England was brought down and another is believed to have been destroyed, the war office announces. From 15 to 20 raiders, divided into six groups, endeavored to reach London, but only five succeeded in dropping bombs on the city.

"There is reason to believe another raider dropped into the English channel," says the report.

A British pilot fired two drums of ammunition into a raider as it was dropping bombs on London from a

height of 13,000 feet.

After the main attacks of the raiders ceased a single airplane flew over London about 9 o'clock...

All the British machines which went up to engage the raiders have returned safely.

Complete reports of the damage and casualties have not been received, it is announced.

The raider known definitely to have been destroyed was hit by the fire of anti-aircraft guns and finally dropped into the sea off Kent. Two of the crew of three were captured by an armed trawler.

British Air Raid

LONDON, Dec. 19.—The successful bombing by British naval aircraft of the Engel airfield, behind the German lines in Flanders, is announced in today's admiralty statement. The text reads:

"Naval aircraft dropped bombs which burst close to the sheds and on the armament dumps and railway sidings at Engel airfield on Tuesday. One enemy aircraft was brought down ablaze and one out of control. All of our ma-

chines returned safely."

FRENCH CRUISER SUNK; 10 LOST

PARIS, Dec. 18.—The old French cruiser Chateaurenault, employed as a transport, was torpedoed and sunk in the Mediterranean on the morning of Dec. 14, and the submarine which attacked her later was destroyed, according to announcement made to-night by the French minister of marine. The passengers on the Chateaurenault, all of whom were either soldiers or officers, were saved. Ten members of the crew were lost.

The French cruiser Chateaurenault was laid down in 1896. She was 42 feet long, with a beam of 35.7 feet and displaced 7898 tons. Her complement before the war was 600 men. Besides being used as a cruiser formerly the Chateaurenault had been fitted as a mine layer.

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RED CROSS SAVES LIVES OF STARVING BABIES



French refugee children being outfitted with warm clothing by American Red Cross women behind the French lines in France. The baby in the picture below is getting its first bath in the same refugee station. That's what Red Cross is doing for the tiny victims of man ruthlessness.

gathered in a Red Cross institution and for the first time since the beginning of the war they are receiving proper food, housing, clothing, medical attention and schooling.

Dr. J. P. Sedgwick of Minneapolis, famous specialist in children's diseases, was sent into the war zone by the Red Cross to see what should be done.

He gathered around him a staff of physicians, among whom are Dr. J. J. Durand of Seattle, Wash., Dr. N. O. Pearce of Minneapolis, Dr. Alice Brown of Winnetka, Ill., Madame Delobecque of Chicago and Miss Bessie Spanner of Cleveland.

"We literally pulled these poor children out of the dark, damp, unclean caves and cellars, many of which are under bombardment by German guns and airplanes," said Dr. Sedgwick.

"It is well worth all the money and effort we are putting into the enterprise to see the little things blossom and improve under proper care."

There's tiny Julia, for example.

The day Julia was born, 18 months ago, her father was fighting in the trenches and whose mother daily struggles against overwhelming odds to keep body and soul together.

There are thousands of such children in the war zones.

Near Pari, only a few miles behind

the French front, hundreds of children ranging in age from six months up to 12 years, have been gathered to-

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To relieve the distressed; to feed the starving; to minister unto the sick; to clothe and care for refugees; to lighten the hardships, guard the health and bind the wounds of those engaged in this great world war for humanity, Christianity, freedom and peace—that's the aim and the accomplishment of the Great Red Cross.

Send a Christmas Dollar
on an Errand of Mercy

Such work meets the approval of every normal, civilized human being. Show your approval and do your bit by joining the Red Cross—NOW. Simple membership is only One Dollar. Through no other channel will so small an amount relieve so much suffering. Not all can go, but all can—and should—join the Red Cross.

That same night the mother learned that her husband was dead.

For nearly 15 months the mother and baby eked out a miserable existence in their cave-home, ill-nourished, with hardly enough clothing to cover them, terrified night and day by the German shells.

Then one day the Americans came along and persuaded the mother that Julia would be better off in the children's refuge station behind the lines. Today, little Julia, is getting fat and rosy. She no longer cries from fright at sudden noises.

"I gave Julia her first bath here," said Dr. Bessie Spanner of Cleveland. "It was the first she had had in months."

School instruction begins for the tots as soon as they are two years old.

The other day a mother from a shell-swept village brought her two-year-old baby to the station. "I can't keep her at home with me any longer," she said. "I have to run to the cave so often that I'm exhausted from carrying her."

Another mother, always comes at night.

The German sharpshooters try to get me every time I stick my head out of doors. I have to dig my potatoes at night and wear a gas mask while I work."

It is the children of such mothers who comprise the population of the refugee station. In caring for them the Red Cross is doing a noble work which should be encouraged by all American women at home. Instead of one such station there is need for scores.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

Note: Below is what the press agents of the different theatres say of the current attractions and of others to come later.

B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

A real patriotic note is contained in the "musical Muse" which Tom Brown's Highlanders bring forward as the headlining feature at the B. F. Keith Theatre, this week. The theme of all the allied nations are played by the killed hats and lassies, and as each one's notes sound forth the flag of the nation appears. The act is one of much snap and naturally, it holds the real Scottish flavor to it.

Eddie Dowling, the international comedian, is a prime favorite of the B. F. Keith. Eddie's "Giant" is a new

"Grand Farce," an unusual comedy that holds much of sparkle to it, will give pleasure to many, and Anglo, Aldwell & Fuller mix comedy and patriotism successfully. Other acts on the bill are: Trennell Trio, in circus stunts, and the Whites, a dancing duo. The Hearst-Pathe pictures give the first views from Paris. The picture feature of the week is "The Cinderella Man," with Mac Marsh in the principal role. It is a hit.

OPERA HOUSE

"Playthings," Sidney Toles' greatest success of recent years, which is being so cleverly interpreted by the New Emerson players at the Opera House this week, stands out as one of the best efforts of any local stock company in many, many seasons. The play itself is unusually interesting and its treatment by the players could hardly be improved. The cast includes several interesting characters that are taken from real life, and when intermingled so well, progress through three acts, can not help but please immensely. Crowded houses at every performance testify to the general satisfaction which the play is giving.

There is a touch of good humor in the lines and added to this, Arthur De Lord, the clever juvenile man contributes a rich share. As the young man who is forever figuring out inventions for the benefit of mankind, Mr. De Lord is certainly amusing. Miss Gladys McLeod never looked more graceful or prettier than she does this week, while Miss Fitolio and Miss Hall are also excellently cast. Douglas Dumbrille and Jerome Kennedy are good, and Claude Kimball and Robert

McGowen are the best in the play.

The day Julia was born, 18 months ago, her father was fighting in the first line trenches not 20 miles from his home village.

A French army doctor ushered Julia into the world in a bombproof dugout constructed in the yard behind the shattered walls of the family home.

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R. Laurence give excellent characterizations. Do not hesitate in making your reservation for seats for the coming performances. Telephone at once and have them held out for you. Better still place your name on the subscription list. It costs no more.

THE STRAND

Thousands of local picture lovers who have visited The Strand to see Miss Julia Blythe in her latest role, "The Tenant Case," have been truly delighted with the offering, partly because of the popularity of the charming young actress who is portraying the leading role, and partly because of the unusually good story attached to the production. It is most interesting to contrast Miss Blythe as she was seen during her recent visit to Lowell in person, and as she appears on the screen. The other feature is William Farnum in "The Heart of a Lion."

For the week-end, beginning with matinee on Thursday, Emily Walker, actress, and Herbert Hayes, who is well known locally, will appear in "The Outsider," one of the most attractive vehicles this pair has appeared in. The piece deals in beauty and brilliancy. Seldom have such magnificent scenes been photographed in connection with a picture drama.

"The Girl with the Rocking Soul" with Gladys Rockwell in the leading part is a legend of St. Cecilia modernized in old Mexico. Besides these there will be a new Mackennal Keystone comedy, a new Truvalogue and a Strand Revue. The musical features are always good.

NATIONAL PRIZES AWARDED CHILDREN FOR THEIR WORK IN FOOD SAVING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—In co-operation with the Mass. Agricultural College and the Hampden County Improvement League, the National Emergency Food Garden Commission today awarded thirteen cash prizes of \$5 each and thirteen national certificates of merit to girls and boys in Massachusetts who made the best records in food canning.

The commission made the awards following contests supervised by Robert P. Trask, county club leader, whose headquarters are at 24 Main street, Springfield. A check of \$5 and the

certificate of merit were sent to each of the following:

Marion Barnard, West Springfield; Florence Dantzen, Springfield; William Stinson, Brattleboro; Leonidas Remond, Springfield; Julia H. Hallowell, East Long Meadow; Louise Hawley, Agawam; Deicenna Quimby, Ludlow; Myrtle Files, Wilbraham; Ruth Brodeur, Westfield; Laura Fuller, Tolland; Lella Nash, Chicopee; Esther Shaw, Palmer; Laura Williams, Springfield; and

Others, all of whom are members of the general committee.

It will be necessary for this committee to continue its activities for the duration of the war in order to carry on with success the great work already started. I feel that not only

is it necessary for this committee to do greater things," said Charles Lathrop Pack, the president of the commission. "You must remember there are 20 million idle acres in New England and every one of them available to agriculture must be put to work."

According to the report of Mr. Trask to P. S. Biddle, the secretary of the commission, this work of the Home Achievement clubs is the best ever

done in the state and even greater

results are now being made for greater

results next year.

Hoping that you may consider this

favorably and with repeated best wishes for a happy and prosperous administration. I have the honor to be

MAYOR O'DONNELL WANTS MAYOR-ELECT THOMPSON ON EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MASS. HOMER

INTERESTING LETTERS FROM LOWELL
SOLDIERS IN THE WAR ZONE

Private James B. Clancy, formerly employed at the Boston & Maine car shops in Billerica, but now with Co. B of the 14th engineer regiment somewhere in France, has sent a letter from the front to a friend in this city. Private Clancy comes from Concord, N. H. The souvenir to which he refers in the letter was a silk handkerchief with embroidered edges upon which was pictured a blazing church. Here's the letter:

Somewhere in France, November 20, 1917.

Miss: Just a few lines to let you know that I am well, my car and was very glad to hear from you. I hope that everybody in Lowell is well. This is a great country but I would prefer the old U.S.A. any time. It is good enough for anyone. All that one

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can see around here are ruins every where and where our present camp is located was once a good-sized village, but you would not know it to look at it now.

We have visited one of the larger cities about 25 miles from here. It was not destroyed although the enemy army passed through there at one time.

There are some nice churches in Lowell but I think that they are not quite as nice as those over here. In France we have probably built a hundred

years ago. Both on the inside and outside sand bags are piled up high around the statues and carvings to protect them from air raids.

I suppose the boys got a great send-off with their bugles and drums when they did. We had a pretty long train trip on the way over; there was nothing to see but water and not one drop of that was fit to drink. We landed in France and started from there for our camp in the south of England. We had been riding in the trains for about nine hours and it was not until when we started our hike. We stayed at that camp about four days and then the five regiments went to London for a review:

It was some sight. I have seen large crowds in Lowell on different holidays but none could compare with the crowd in London on Wednesday, Aug. 15th. The boys sure got a great reception from the people along the streets. In front of Buckingham palace we passed the king and queen. We were served to the five regiments. We were also reviewed by the American ambassador and by Admiral Sims, and at last "Yankee Doodle" could say that he "went to London" and he wasn't riding on a "hayrack." It was too bad that the countries were so far

apart that the people in the United States could not see the welcome that those five regiments received.

I suppose Old Fritz might have got us on the way over but we didn't see one of his U-boats on the way across.

We were back to camp and stayed there for a few days until we started again for the south of England to the seaport where we boarded the boat that brought us to France.

"Sunny France," they say, but I fail to see it. It is raining all the time and the houses and at this writing is raining pretty hard. There is a good-sized town about five miles from our present camp which the boys have visited off and on. There one can see in real life the buildings and people that we had been used to seeing in moving pictures. We've gone to the hero but the pictures were the same that we had seen in America two years ago. The buildings in this town are pretty well shot up and it will be a great trip for sightseers to come over here but the pictures were the same that we had seen in America two years ago.

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Things were pretty noisy around here this morning about breakfast time. It seemed like a reproduction of the American Fourth of July but on a larger scale. Although we are located quite a way behind the lines one could hear the big guns very plainly and when they started in on their morning hymn the ground and buildings shook.

The boys of this company are fixed pretty well as far as shelter is concerned. We are living in huts with five blankets, a cot and two stoves, so I am not as bad as one might think.

The two companies at this camp are

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The last letter I received came on the 26th of October. I hope you get all my letters. I will write twice a week if I can.

I am sending a snapshot I had taken here; I think it is a good one. I hope

you get this letter before Christmas, and I hope that you all have a very merry Christmas.

We are working pretty hard here, but we enjoy ourselves, too. We get good rest at night and plenty to eat, so we can't kick much. I would like to see Lowell when we get back from Ayer.

We get a lot of pleasure here, but we have heard that a lot of American troops have landed here but we have not seen any of them.

I would like to meet the boys from the United States who have come over here in the last couple of months and have a talk with them for a few minutes. The French people sure are nice and the boys from America O.K. and wherever one goes he will see them together on the streets. The boys from Australia are about as fine a bunch of men as would want to meet.

Well, I think I have written quite a lot for one time, so I will close as the censor may not like reading this long story. Wish you a merry Christmas and good luck.

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Bumps, who had lost his son, a member of our crew, and was serving as a cook for Wambeet Lodge, and for Lowell Lodge. P. C. Waller, formerly the chevalier commander.

Beautiful Scissors Box at THE THOMPSON HARDWARE CO.

EAGLES VOTE TO HELP THE POOR DURING THE YULETIDE SEASON

An interesting meeting of the members of the Lowell Aerie of Eagles was held last evening in Eagles' hall, Concord street, in which the Considerable business was transacted and new members were initiated. It was voted to help the widows and orphans of the city as well as the worthy members of the organization during the Yuletide season, and a large amount of money was appropriated for that purpose. The date of the installation of the recently elected officers was set for Jan. 1. A special program will be arranged for the affair and luncheon will be served.

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AMERICA ASCENDANCY TO FINANCIAL SUPREMACY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—America's ascendancy to financial supremacy in the world in the brief space of three years, gives every promise of continuing after peace comes, according to the annual report of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce.

"It is probable that the demand by European countries," the report says, "especially Russia, France and Belgium, for building material, machinery, railway equipment and other construction and reconstruction material will be larger than during the war. Much of our new business in South and Central America, Australia and the far east, as well as in Africa, is expected to be permanent, especially in view of our increased purchases of raw materials and foodstuffs from these countries."

Since 1914 the flow of gold has been steadily toward the United States in payment for our country's goods, until one-third of the world's whole supply of gold is held here. Net imports of gold have amounted in three years to \$1,115,000,000, and in addition millions of dollars worth of American securities held abroad have been returned here in exchange for merchandise. Millions also have been invested in foreign securities and government loans, and the United States has made loans to allied governments amounting to \$2,550,000 to the close of the fiscal year 1917.

Three years ago the suggestion that the United States would soon be a creditor nation received scant respect either here or abroad, the report says. "Now speculation is turning on our future rank among creditors."

The fiscal year 1917 was the nation's greatest year in foreign trade, due almost entirely to higher prices and not larger quantities.

"That higher prices are not confined to the United States, but are general throughout the world is proved by the increase in the value of imported articles," says the report.

Exports in 1917 were valued at the unprecedented sum of \$6,294,000,000, and imports were \$2,660,000,000. The exports showed an interesting feature in the growth in sales of completed manufacture, \$2,944,000,000. The tendency to increase in the value of raw materials and decrease in that of finished manufactures made a striking contrast on the other side of the ledger.

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS BY THE C. M. A. C.

An important meeting of the members of the C. M. A. C. was held last evening in their well appointed quarters in Pawtucket street, and a feature of the evening was the election of officers for the coming year. The meeting was presided over by President J. A. Fortier and several new members were initiated. Messrs. J. A. Fortier, Louis St. Jean and Richard Daigle, who represented the society at a meet-

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MAYOR-ELECT THOMPSON GETS LETTER RELATIVE TO INFANT MORTALITY HERE

Mrs. E. N. Burke, president of the Lowell guild, wrote a letter to Mayor-elect Perry D. Thompson, calling his attention to the high rate of infant mortality in Lowell and the advisability of employing two additional health nurses, one by the guild and the other by the city. The mayor-elect has replied that he will be glad to meet the guild workers at their convenience.

The two letters follow:

Lowell, Mass., Dec. 14, 1917.

Mr. Perry Thompson:

My Dear Sir: As president of the Lowell guild, may I offer congratulations upon your recent election as mayor?

I am sure that during your term of office you will be interested in all that relates to the welfare of the city. I wish therefore to bring to your attention the need for additional health nurses. The Lowell Guild, which at present supervises the school nurses, in connection with its own district work would be very glad to offer its service for the supervision of further health nurses, and the additional work in baby welfare work.

The very high death rate in Lowell, among children under one year of age, emphasizes the need of an aggressive campaign to conserve child life, and prevent such an appalling infant mortality. With this end in view the guild hopes shortly to employ one additional child welfare nurse, and it is very possible for the city to supply another an appreciable decrease in the death rate might be accomplished.

Such a nurse should have the special training for this work as given by the Boston Instructive District Nursing association, and I suppose in the case of being employed by the city, must also have passed the civil service examination. This is a measure urged and recommended by the state board of health, which has appointed a child welfare conservation committee for Lowell, of which I have the honor to be chairman. The council of the Lowell guild would be very glad if you would grant us an interview for the discussion of the matter of health nurses, before the budget for the year is completed.

With every good wish for your success as mayor,

I am sincerely yours,

Rebecca Norcross Burke,
(Mrs. Edward N. Burke).

Mayor-elect Thompson's reply is as follows:

Lowell, Mass., Dec. 17, 1917.

Mrs. Edward N. Burke, President of the Lowell Guild:

My Dear Madam: In acknowledging receipt of your letter under date of Dec. 14, I first want to thank you for your congratulations and good wishes.

No person could possibly be more interested in everything that pertains to the welfare of the city than myself.

I realize and appreciate the good work which has, and is being done by the Lowell guild.

I shall be pleased to meet the council of the Lowell guild at their convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Perry D. Thompson,
31-32 Donovan Bldg., Lowell, Mass.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

Representatives of lodges of the Knights of Pythias of Lowell, Ayer, Fitchburg and Leominster attended the "Camp Devens" night, which was held Monday evening under the auspices of Harbinger Lodge at the town hall of Ayer. One of the features of the evening was the degree work of Peter Woodland Lodge of Lynn, which sent a large delegation to the event.

Present at the meeting were about 60 members of the National army at Camp Devens as well as all the members of Butler Ames Lodge of this city in uniform. Entertainment numbers were given and refreshments were served.

The committee in charge of the arrangements included B. H. Allen of Uniform Rank Butler Ames company of Lowell, chairman; N. A. Nichols of Chevalier-Middlesex Lodge, Lowell, and E. F. Griffin of Uniform Rank Butler Ames company, Lowell. The "Camp Devens night" was only one of the many things which the Pythians have planned for the entertainment of the soldier boys. On Christmas morning a large number of Lowell Pythians will journey to Camp Devens and distribute Christmas presents and tokens.

The next meeting of the service committee will be held at Harbinger Lodge, Ayer, Sunday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock. All members of the order are invited to attend.

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CANADA VINDICATED

Canada has sustained the Borden government in its attitude on the war and has also endorsed conscription. Had she done anything else, she would have shown the white feather and nullified the glorious record of her brave soldiers and some of the hardest fought battles of the war.

We congratulate Canada, although we did not expect any other result. The province of Quebec will now have to do its share in the war although it has shown opposition to the war policy up to the present.

AS TO FIRING THE SOCIALIST

Editor Sun:—Why shouldn't congress kick out that socialist, Meyer London, the only member of the house treacherous enough to vote for our enemies? Sun Reader.

There are several reasons, some political, some legal, some logical.

Meyer London was sent to congress to represent the opinion and wishes of a certain district, which he undoubtedly did in voting, alone, against war with Austria. True, a congressman is supposed to also represent the country at large, but it is the law that curses it in the eyes of the vast majority of intelligent Americans, that it is the socialist party, first, last and all the time, regardless of all else. London voted correctly. Certainly it is that if he had not so voted, he would be kicked out of his job; and equally certain is it that, if congress goes to firing its members who stick to the demands of their districts, pretty exclusively, we'll see a lovely procession of congressmen homeward bound.

But Meyer London is not wholly a calamity. Most good causes are better from having a kicker or two. It would be mighty bad if we all settled back in absolute safety and perfectly complete unanimity. London at least shows us where Kaiserism is and what it's at. With the fierce little socialist boll on the back of our neck, we are not likely to oversleep.

THE RUSSIAN PEACE

Judging from the proposals of peace between Russia and Germany, it appears that the Bolshevik officials are yielding practically everything of advantage to the Teutons. Germany holds the conquered territory and arranges for control of the Baltic and Black seas, together with commercial intercourse, "kultur" and exploitation, such as will soon make the entire Russian dominions the base of supplies from which she can draw not only food and material in abundance but as many men as she may require.

Lenine and Trotzky are simply selling out the nation to Germany in the most flagrant manner. They ask the ambassadors of the Entente powers which Russia has deserted to join in the peace negotiations, but it is not likely that these diplomats will be allowed to have any hand in such betrayal of Russia. They may, however, protest against this obvious betrayal of the allied cause by the Bolsheviks who temporarily represent the Russian people.

The mere withdrawal of Russia would be bad enough, but her agreement to supply the needs of Germany will offset the effect of the allied blockade of German ports. It will give the Central powers a new lease of life and new strength to maintain the war for one or two years longer.

The population of the conquered territory in Russia alone is 20,000,000. The men from this area can be drafted for war after the peace with Russia. Moreover the German prisoners released from Russia will number nearly a million men, most of whom will be returned to service at the front. Thus it appears that before the United States gets into the war Germany will be able to strike a tremendous blow on the western front and she is now making extensive preparations with that end in view. She will also be able to raise fortifications along the greater part of the western front against the expected spring drive.

It was hoped the spring would see the end of the struggle; but in view of the new power given to Germany by Russia, that hope has practically vanished. For the immediate future the Central powers have gained more by the collapse of Russia than have the allies by the espousal of their cause by the United States.

SUPPOSE YOU WERE THEY

When a living, breathing human victim of injustice knocks very often at your front door, sometimes as often as twice a day, you are pretty near the Hun class if you sit back in your soft comfort and refuse to be interested.

How much do you know about those fine fellows who serve you in blizzard or sleet, in rain or sunshine, in half, in sleet, between the lightning flashes, the letter carriers? You see them, at this season of the year, working far into the night under loads that would stagger a horse. Does it ever strike you that they are your employees, doing your work, under your pay? Does it ever strike you that if great injustice is being done these faithful fellows, it's because of your indifference, your absorption in self?

The foregoing to awaken you to the fact that the postal workers, your employees, are asking an increase of pay from you, in a bill presented in your congress. How have you been treating them?

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SEEN AND HEARD

Love may be blind, but all lovers should remember that the neighbors aren't.

The boy who thinks he knows what he is going to be when he grows up is usually wrong.

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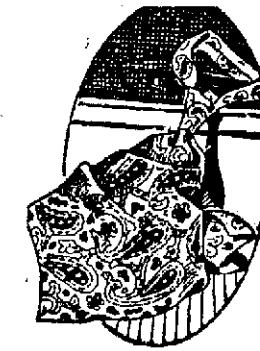
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should very soon have been knocked out by them!

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And to take it that there are others in the same class as myself. We are not doing definite war work, because there is no niche for us—London Daily Mail.

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We shall sell our Meccano at last year's price, which is 33 1/3 per cent less than this year's. Offer is only for stock we have on hand. Buy your boy a set of Meccano NOW.

THE THOMPSON HARDWARE CO.

Tel. 156-157
254 MERRIMACK STREET

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Chalifoux's CORNER

HERE ARE SOME SPECIALS FROM OUR FIFTH FLOOR. THEY ARE ALL CHALIFOUX QUALITY—CHALIFOUX VALUE—ENOUGH SAID.

Gas Irons

The New Pattern "Dover" Iron, consumes about 70 per cent air and 30 per cent gas. Produces a perfect flame. Burns 1c worth of gas in four hours, can do eight hours' ironing at the small cost of 2c. Price to introduce, only \$1.98. Complete with metal tubing.

Lunch Kits

\$3.00 "Hotakold" Lunch Kits, green enameled, tin lined, rust proof case with pint size Hotakold Bottle. Cover of bottle has folding handle, making a drinking cup. A limited quantity to sell at \$2.38

Dinner Sets

The "Jewel," full finished, positive guarantee, complete with cord and plug \$2.49

Vacuum Bottles

\$1.75 Hotakold Pint Size Vacuum Bottles, keeps liquids hot or cold night or day. Limited quantity to sell for \$1.29

Safety Razors

Safety Razors at reduced prices. The "Gem" or "Ever Ready," \$1.00 razor, for 79c Each

LONG LIVE THE KING

He's the kind of monarch we admire and envy. He's the "Back Yard Potato King," living at Huntington Beach, Cal. Name's A. J. Young, and he's the greatest authority on tubers in the west. His instructions to farmers this year resulted in doubling the ordinary output in California. For 22 years he has raised potatoes on the same ground, producing 400 bushels to the acre. Is he rich? What a foolish question. Look at that mountain of spuds.

OUR TREFLE CREAM Softens and Whitens the Skin 25c Bottle

TALBOT'S CHEMICAL STORE 40 MIDDLE ST.

10 Lb. HAMS, boned and rolled, solid meat 32c

BACON STRIPS 32c

FOREQUARTERS LAMB 10c

PORK LOINS 25c

PORK SHOULDER 25c

PORK BUTTS 25c

Oranges 15c

Lettuce 5c

Apples, doz. 20c

Nuts, lb. 10c

Sugar Syrup 19c

Ritter's Catsup 12½c

CHRISTMAS TREES 25c

FRESH FISH TODAY

SOLID OYSTERS 50c Qt.

Useful Christmas Gifts

STORE OPEN THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY EVENINGS

Quilted Vests	.....	98c
Quilted Vests with sleeves	.....	\$1.98
4 Dozen New Crepe Waists	.....	\$5.00
Heatherbloom Petticoats, flowered bottoms	.....	\$1.49
Dainty Lingerie Blouses	.....	\$1.98
All Wool Serge Dresses	.....	\$7.98
Wool Sweaters	.....	\$2.98 and Up
Washable House Dresses	.....	\$1.00
Raincoats, Xmas price	.....	\$5.00
Warm Velour Coats	.....	\$9.90
Wool Teddy Bear Suits	.....	\$4.98
Colored Striped Voile Waists	.....	98c
Fur Muffs	.....	\$5.00
Silk and Party Dresses	.....	\$8.75 and Up
Bath Robes	.....	\$1.98 and \$2.98
Walking Skirts	.....	\$5.00
Kimonos, crepe and silk	.....	98c and \$1.98
Children's Rain Capes	.....	\$1.98

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS IN OUR BASEMENT

Angora Sets	.....	98c, \$1.39 and \$1.98
Sateen Petticoats	.....	98c
Children's Serge Dresses	.....	\$5.00
Children's Coats	.....	\$5.00
Silk Dresses, all sizes	.....	\$8.50
Serge Skirts, black and navy	.....	\$1.98
Children's Sweaters	.....	\$2.98
White Waists, all sizes	.....	79c
Children's Fur Sets	.....	\$2.98, \$3.98 and \$5.00
2-Piece Breakfast Sets	.....	\$1.49 and \$1.98
Children's Rain Capes	.....	\$1.98

Practical Gifts Are in Great Demand

CHERRY & WEBB

12-18 JOHN STREET



HEARING TO DETERMINE PRICES OF MILK

FIGHTING TEXAN HAS INVITATIONS HERE

CAMP DEVENS, Ayer, Dec. 19.—Sergt. George H. Ancer of the 25th Engineers comes from Victoria, Tex., so that he didn't know before how well advertising pays.

His remark, "We'll never retreat on the other side, sir," during the British meeting at camp, was recorded in a Boston paper the following morning.

Today this sergeant, without friends in New England, has eight invitations to various invitations, dinner in the homes of strangers, two from Worcester, two from Fitchburg, one from Winchendon and one from a town of which he can't remember the name.

Big discount on Meccano Sets at The Thompson Hardware Co.

ARMY SAFETY RAZOR SETS

For the soldier. Just the thing for his Christmas present.

Gillette with Trench Mirror, \$5.00.

Auto Strop Set, \$5.00.

Trench Mirrors, 50c to \$1.00.

U. S. Army Knives—Only a few left.

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ARMY OFFICER ACCUSED OF PAYING WIFE SALARY WHEN SHE WAS ABSENT FROM POST

LEAVENWORTH, Kas., Dec. 19.—The verdict in the army martial trial of Lieut. Col. James H. Burroughs, charged with paying his wife a salary out of government funds when she was absent from Fort Leavenworth, was sent to the department commander at Oklahoma today. Col. Burroughs testified that his wife worked as a clerk and helped with the correspondence in buying horses.

Five horse contractors testified that she was an expert and that her judgment of animals and patriotic tailors of the government money. Joseph Nugent of Dix, Maine, testified that he had not intended to include fifty-two fine horses in a band sold to the government, but Mrs. Burroughs made a patriotic talk that induced him to do so and that he lost \$2000 on the contract.

Everything is in readiness for the jazz popularity dance the Association has this evening when the struggle for popularity supremacy among the members of 15 girls' clubs will be decided. Votes have been cast for several weeks past but tonight the final count will be made and the winners announced.

Young men of the city who have not yet been will have their final chance this evening. A large bond will be given to the lucky ticket-holder and nearly a hundred valuable Christmas gifts will be distributed among the popular girls.

Agnes J. Fallon, aged 14, of Middlebury, Conn., is knitting washcloths for the Red Cross. She has no help and if she happens to drop a stitch she picks it up and goes on with her work.

UNION MARKET

173-185 MIDDLESEX

FOOT OF SOUTH ST.

TEL-4810 FOR ALL DEPTS

10 Lb. HAMS, boned and rolled, solid meat 32c

BACON STRIPS 32c

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PETERS ELECTED MAYOR OF BOSTON BY 9072

VOTE FOR MAYOR
Andrew J. Peters 37,924
James M. Curley 23,856
James A. Gallivan 19,415
Peter A. Tague 16,694
James Onal 345
Peters's Plurality 9,074

FOR THE CITY COUNCIL
First Three Elected

Lane 36,835
Curley 34,321
"Hagan 31,708
Cassidy 28,113
Wellington 26,574
Hurwitz 26,225
Leonard 21,684
Carr 15,255
Coffey 11,718
"Re-elected.

FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE
First Two Elected

Lane 51,341
Corcoran 50,855
Lee 45,470
Kenny 45,180

VOTE ON LICENSE

For 54,280
Against 30,775
Majority for license 23,505

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—Andrew J. Peters, former assistant secretary of the treasury, was chosen mayor of this city yesterday, by a plurality of 9072 votes in one of the most exciting and bitterly contested elections in local history. Mayor James M. Curley, who sought re-election, ran second; Congressman James A. Gallivan was third; Congressman Peter F. Tague, fourth, and James Onal, fifth. With the exception of Mr. Onal, who is a Radical, and is on strike, the candidates are Democratic in national politics. The tickets in the city election were non-partisan.

Four years ago, Mayor Curley defeated Thomas J. Kelly for mayor by a plurality of 5730 votes.

The city went license with a slightly increased majority over last year. The vote was: Yes, 54,260; no, 30,775; a majority of 23,485. Last year, a vote was: Yes, 53,417; no, 30,322; a majority of 23,095.

Daniel W. Lane and Councilman Henry E. Hagan, who, with Mr. Peters, were endorsed by the Good Government association, were elected to the



Wm. J. Madden
JOINS THE
Progressive Store

Since the Talbot Clothing Co. remodeled their store they have been looking for progressive young men for the most progressive store in Lowell. Mr. Madden fills the bill and his hosts of friends are congratulating him in his new position in Lowell. He is one of the best known and most popular young men in town and feels he now has a chance to make good and invites his friends to call and see him. He can show the largest stock in town is the best clothing store in New England and he is feeling very good about it.

HOLIDAY JOYS

Help to make this a Useful Gift Christmas. Give something useful and lasting to those you make glad.

Lunch Boxes \$2.50 up
Vacuum Bottles \$2.00 up
Pocket Knives 25c up
Razors \$1.00 up
Straps 15c up
Hones 25c up
Shaving Soap 10c up
Brushes 25c up
Food Choppers \$1.50 up
Searchlights 75c up
Steering Sleds \$1.00 up
Express Carts \$2.75 up

Authorized Agents for the Sale of
Government Saving Stamps

Adams Hardware
AND PAINT CO.
Middlesex St. Near Depot

STANDARDIZE ALL MOTOR TRUCKS AND TRAILERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Completion of designs for standardizing all the motor trucks and trailers needed by the government for peace as well as war work was announced today by the quartermaster corps.

Three classes of trucks have been provided. Class AA with 3-4-ton capacity was the last to be worked out by the two motor engineers who contributed many new ideas. Manufacture of the Class B truck having a rated capacity of three tons, already has started after exhaustive tests of the sample cars. Three sample trucks of the Class A variety, capacity of 1-1/2 tons now are being tested. One left Detroit today from the plant of the Denby Motor Truck company, and will be joined at Cleveland tomorrow by one from the White Co. They will be run to Ardmore, Pa., where a third, from the factory of the Autocar Co., will complete the party for the trial trip to Washington.

Plans for standard model trailers include one of three tons capacity requested by General Pershing for early use in France. It will have only two wheels, according to present designs.

Assembly already has started of a

four-wheel trailer, 1 1-2 tons capacity, double ended, at the plants of the Grant Motor Car Co., Cleveland, and Detroit Trailer Co., Detroit. A third type will be devised for the special use of the signal corps to have two wheels and pneumatic tires.

Brig. Gen. Chauncey B. Baker has been in personal charge of standardizing the designs for government motor vehicles. While the majors portion of the new trucks will be put into war work, some will be used by the postoffice department and thousands will be turned over to civilian uses of the government when victory has been won.

Many parts of all three trucks are identical except in size, to facilitate production and repair. An important feature will be the accessibility of mechanical parts, any one of which can be reached without removing another.

Headlights will be attached to the radiator instead of the dashboard or mud guards. Special bodies will be provided for the use of the signal corps, medical corps, bureau of docks and other departmental corps, but all will fit the standard chassis.

Five test vehicles of the newly-designed Class AA truck have been ordered. Four will be assembled by the Reo Motor Car Co., Lansing, Mich.; Federal Motor Truck Co., Detroit; Maxwell Motor Car Co., Detroit; and Willys-Overland Co., Toledo. The fifth will be assembled in Washington as a test against the drawings of the quartermaster corps.

Orders for the three classes of trucks will run into the tens of thousands. A preliminary order of ten thousand has been placed for the heavy Class B vehicle. Estimates of the number of Class A have not been made public, but of the class AA 3500 will be needed for ambulances; 1000 for ordnance work; 5000 for the signal corps and a vast number for the quartermaster corps. All of them, with trailers will be run overland to the seaboard.

During the month of November the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Etta Cook of Melrose; secretary, Mrs. Carrie Young of Medford; treasurer, Mrs. Sarah Gott of Cambridge; guard, Mrs. Sarah Buchanan of Watertown.

The following department officers were also present: Miss Estelle Libby, past department president; Mrs. Dorcas Lyman, departmental chairman.

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION OF THE G. A. R.

The quarterly meeting of the members of the Middlesex association of the G.A.R. was held yesterday in Memorial hall with a large number of the veterans in attendance representing most of the posts in the cities and towns in Middlesex county. While the men's meeting was being held in the upper hall the members of the Middlesex County Relief corps of the G.A.R. were meeting in the lower hall.

The men's meeting was presided over by Commander Henry Clark of Cambridge and the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Commander, William C. M. Howe, Post 194; Reading; senior vice commander, Eben Pike, Post 30, Cambridge; junior vice commander, George C. Gilliland, Post 56, Cambridge; adjutant, C. F. Morris, Post 166, Everett; officer of the day, S. E. Dearborn, Post 12, Wakefield; officer of the guard, J. W. Emory, Post 56, Cambridge; adjutant, A. H. Knowles, Post 36, Arlington; quartermaster sergeant, Joseph Wiggin, Post 4, Melrose; sergeant major, George A. Whidden, Post 4, Melrose.

The department officers present were Department Commander D. E. Denney of Worcester, Past Department Commander Granville C. Fish of Ashland, and Comrade George Wilder of Post 15, Boston.

At noon luncheon was served by the E. B. F. Relief corps of this city, and in the afternoon a joint entertainment was given for the men's and women's organizations. The next meeting of the Middlesex association will be held with the James A. Garfield corps of this city next March.

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women's relief corps; Mrs. Ella Boss, department patriotic instructor; Mrs. Mabel Smith, chairman, department headquarters aide.

Near the close of the meeting of the relief corps, the following conveyed to the veterans meeting upstairs the greetings of the relief corps: Miss Mary Elliott, department secretary; Mrs. Agnes Parker, department junior vice president; Mrs. Bessie H. Cummings, president; Mrs. B. F. Butler Relief corps.

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HELPING SAMMY SWAT THE KAISER

NEWS OF THE DAY IN THE POLICE COURT

It cost Max Cohen \$15 in police court this morning because he refused to stop his automobile and later to produce his license when Traffic Officer Frank L. Moloney ordered him to do so in Merrimack square on Dec. 7. Cohen was charged with a violation of the city ordinance which prohibits stops upon demand of a police officer and upon his being found guilty was ordered to pay a fine of \$5 and after being found guilty of a violation of the motor vehicle law by failing to produce a license, an additional fine of \$10 was imposed.

According to the testimony offered by Officer Moloney, which was corroborated by two telegrams on the New England Telephone & Telegraph Co., Cohen came through Prescott street in his machine on the date in question. The officer signalled Cohen to stop, owing to the fact that he had given another vehicle the right of way. Cohen in his stoppage, kept on going towards Bridge street, and the officer said that he would have been struck by Cohen's machine if he had not jumped out of the way. Officer Moloney ordered Cohen to "back up" but the latter refused to do so. Finally Cohen backed into Prescott street, but stopped his machine on the wrong side of the street. After this, the officer told Cohen to produce his license and the latter said that it was too cold to pull it out of his pocket. Cohen was stubborn and upon failure to show the license Officer Moloney requested him to drive over to the police station. He also failed to comply with this demand. Officer Swanson was called and Cohen was taken to the police station.

Cohen, testifying in his own behalf, said that he was given a signal to go



A WARNING FOR MADAM GRUNDY

This young man has lived with the age of 16 by "keeping his nose out of other folks' business." It's John O. Dowd's own recipe for longevity. Take note, you Grundy persons. Dowd lives in Oregon, where he came 75 years ago from Columbus, O. During that time he has worked as only a happy, two-fisted Irishman can (having been born in the County Kerry.) "And now," he says, "I feel like I sort of deserve a rest for the next 25 years. I'm going to put 'em in seeing the sights."

and did so, and when the officer requested him to back his machine he also complied. The court, however, believed the testimony of the arresting officer and two witnesses, and found Cohen guilty and ordered him to pay a fine of \$15.

Other Offenders

John Kahremans was found guilty of failing to provide for the support of his wife. He was given a suspended sentence of five months in the house of correction on condition that he pay \$5 a week to his wife.

Josephine Gaggs entered a plea of guilty to a charge of charging her with being drunk. Her case was continued until Saturday.

William Brady, also charged with being drunk, was sentenced to one month in jail.

CHORUS OF 600 WILL SING CHRISTMAS CAROLS ON BOSTON COMMON TONIGHT

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—A chorus of 600 will sing Christmas carols on the common tonight prior to a meeting in Tremont Temple for the benefit of the Armenian-Syrian relief fund. The choristers will march to the temple headed by a group of men in the costume of Syrian shepherds.

CHRISTMAS VACATION IN SOMERVILLE SCHOOLS EXTENDED TO SAVE COAL

SOMERVILLE, Dec. 19.—The Christmas vacation in the public schools of this city will be extended two weeks, in order to conserve coal. The schools will close next Friday until January 14.

On advice of counsel Johnson de-

FIRE PROTECTION ORDINANCE

The board of trade recently filed with the municipal council an ordinance in relation to the erection of new buildings in the city, by which certain restrictions are made in an endeavor to prevent serious fires. The ordinance of which a part follows, was read at the meeting of the council yesterday and referred to the commissioner of public buildings and the commissioner of fire and water.

No dwelling house, apartment house or lodging house hereafter erected shall occupy either alone or with other buildings more than 80 per cent of a corner lot nor more than 75 per cent of an other lot.

No dwelling house, apartment house or lodging house hereafter erected shall exceed in height the width of the widest street upon which it faces, unless such house be set back from the street a distance at least equal to the width of such street, but in no event shall a frame building hereafter erected to be used for a dwelling house, apartment house or lodging house exceed 45 feet in height nor

be more than two stories below the roof line and every building hereafter erected or altered for use as a dwelling house, apartment house or lodging house shall be made to conform to the requirements of this section. In no frame dwelling house, apartment house or lodging house, hereafter erected shall any story or any part thereof above the second story be occupied or arranged for housekeeping independently of the lower stories, nor shall any provisions be made for cooking nor shall any cooking be done above the second story.

No portion of any frame dwelling house, apartment house or lodging house hereafter erected shall be placed at a distance than eight feet from the side line of the lot upon which it is to be located.

The proposed ordinance, in some other sections, aims against the use of soft bricks in any chimney and says that no bricks shall be laid on its twin walls. It also says that no smoke due from a furnace or boiler shall come within one foot of any combustible material, and that every chimney shall be fire-stopped at every hole, leak or joint, and no connection to the face of the partitions. It further says that no chimney enclosed in partitions shall be enclosed until after inspection.

POSSIBLE ECONOMIES IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF MOTOR VEHICLES DISCUSSED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Possible economies in the distribution of motor vehicles were discussed today by Chairman Shaw, of the Commercial Economy board of the Council of National Defense, with representatives of retail dealers' associations. It was emphasized that the conference was not concerned with possible curtailment of automobile production, but with elimination of non-essentials within the industry.

VAUDEVILLE THEATRES MUST OBSERVE LIGHTLESS NIGHT ORDER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Requests by vaudeville theatres for exemption from the recent lightless night order, on the ground that their patriotic services deserve recognition, was denied today by the fuel administration. The theatres had cited the fact that they had permitted use of their stages by solicitors for Liberty bond, Red Cross and other patriotic funds.

MAIL PROBLEM

Continued

Office is determined to handle the inevitable Christmas rush as efficiently and promptly as possible, even though it will mean increasing the delivery system. There will be one delivery of mail on Christmas day.

Asked as to the number of reserve men who will be taken on, Postmaster Meehan said that a few have already been taken on, and that eight more and others will be taken on gradually as the volume of mail increases. However, the regular force is to be worked overtime because one experienced clerk or carrier is able to accomplish the work of three men in one day. The greatest difficulty anticipated will be in the case of the delivery of parcel post packages. It will be next to impossible to get enough wagons and trucks to cope with the expected increase, but every means of expediting the distribution has been utilized and it is expected that there will be no serious delays in the delivery. A large number of men from the reserve list will be used in this branch of the service.

In the event of the great railroad con-

gestion existing at the present time, it is absolutely necessary that parcels for distant places be mailed at once if they are to reach their destination for Christmas. The postmaster asked that parcels be "addressed correctly, packed properly and tied securely."

Local exemption boards will not be any help, and each postmaster service any young man who is at present in the postal service until after Jan. 1, according to a recent notice sent out by the provost marshal general. The notice was received by Postmaster Meehan this morning and reads as follows:

"The president has authorized that induction into military service of employees of postal service be deferred until after Jan. 1, 1918. Local boards should be instructed accordingly."

Thrift Stamp Loan

Lowell people are responding to the

thrift stamp loan of the government

in great shape, according to the post-

GIRL ACCUSES JOHNSON IN "WHITE SLAVE" CASE

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—Called today as the chief witness for the government in the case of John Johnson, a negro, of Charleston, W. Va., charged with violation of the Mann act, Miss Edith Godfrey testified that she went from Charleston to Cynthiaburg, Ky., to join the defendant at his request and that he had provided her with transportation two days later for the return trip.

Johnson was indicted by the federal grand jury at Charleston after Gov. McCall had refused to grant a requisition for his return to West Virginia on a state warrant, charging assault on a white girl.

Miss Godfrey, after testifying in detail as to her relations with the defendant, stated on cross examination that she was first asked to testify in the federal proceedings about the time the request for the requisition was refused.

Immediately after the hearing began, Louis Goldberg, assistant United States attorney, presented an amended plea of specific complaint for the government, which was accepted with out protest.

He then outlined in detail the government's case, declaring that for five years Edith Godfrey was in Johnson's power and lived constantly in fear of death at his hands unless she did as he said.

Miss Godfrey sat with government counsel and seemed to attract much attention from the large crowd of men in the courtroom.

On advice of counsel Johnson de-

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office officials. Although no definite figures as to just what has been done locally are available, nevertheless, the officials are confident that Lowell is making a very creditable showing. The agents of the local mills in practically every case have taken out their stamps for each of their employees to be presented to the latter as a Christmas gift. Postmaster Meehan says that about 50,000 people here in this city will be given one of the little Liberty booklets as a result of the action on the part of the military officials.

The department stores are falling into the same line of action also. The postmaster general has sent out letters to the heads of the various industrial plants in the city, to the department stores and eventually to the postmasters of every church in Lowell asking that they encourage the people who come under their jurisdiction to invest in

thrift stamps.

FIRE DRIVES SOLDIERS INTO STREETS

SUGAR DEALERS IN THE WEST SAY ROLPH COMPANY PREVENTED FAMINE

WAVERLY, O., Dec. 19.—Fire early this morning in the Knights of Columbus hall, State and Sixth streets, killed 12 soldiers and a street child. The building was discovered in the front part of the building but did not spread. The army men who were using the building as barracks were able to return for the night. Defective wiring is believed to have caused the fire.

WAVERLY, O., Dec. 19.—Liberty motor truck No. 7, comprising one of 33 military Liberty motor trucks on route from Detroit to Newport News, Va., near Braceville, O., at 2 a.m. this morning, was struck by an Erie passenger train. Frank Papello, Canton, O., driver of the truck was killed and John Litzburg, an assistant of Mineral City, O., was seriously injured.

The motor truck fleet, scheduled to reach Warren at 6 o'clock last night, had been delayed by heavy snowfall.

SPANISH SHIP SUNK BY SUBMARINE

PARIS, Dec. 19.—The torpedoing by a submarine of the Spanish steamer

Noviembre, 3654 tons gross, is reported

a despatch from Blarritz to the

Escolar quoting advices received there

from Bilbao. Thirty of the crew were

landed. They say the ship was

torpedoed without warning at night

and that they all were thrown into the sea after swimming about for an hour they were picked up by French patrol ships which put the submarine to flight.

DO NOT PUT LIGHTED CANDLES BEHIND RED CROSS SERVICE FLAG

The Red Cross has withdrawn the

Christmas candle suggestion that

lighted candles be placed behind the

Red Cross "Service Flags" in windows

on Christmas eve, because the

board of fire underwriters says that it

would involve a big fire risk.

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Olaf, battle-scarred Maltese tommy, is heaping coals of fire on his feline enemies. They used to make life a nightmare for him until one day they chased him into the dental office

WINTER WHEAT CONDITION LOWEST ON RECORD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Winter wheat this year, planted on the largest acreage ever sown in the history of the country showed on Dec. 1, the lowest condition on record. A forecast of a crop of only 540,000,000 bushels was made today by the department of agriculture. The final production, however, will be above or below that quantity, according as conditions hereafter are better or worse than the average.

In a statement interpreting today's report the department said:

The acreage planted to winter wheat is estimated to be 42,170,000 acres, an increase of 4 per cent over the area planted a year ago. In the campaign to produce a billion bushels of wheat next year to help feed our allies, an acreage of 47,337,000 of winter wheat was advocated. Failure to reach this amount was not due apparently, to the intention of farmers, but to the adverse conditions, unfavorable weather, late harvest of other crops and shortage of farm help, preventing the putting out of the full acreage desired.

In the past 10 years the yield per acre on the planted acreage was 1.4 bushels; on the average condition of 79.4 bushels, which on 42,170,000 acres would produce about 540,000,000 bushels; it may be assumed that the out-turn of the crop will be above or below this figure according as conditions hereafter are better or worse than average conditions. In 1917 the crop was about 48,000,000 bushels; in 1916 it was 49,000,000 and the average for the preceding five years was 543,000,000 bushels.

Increased sowings of winter wheat are urged upon farmers by the department of agriculture in order to supplement the needs of the co-belligerents of the United States. This year's short

crop of wheat has necessitated conservation of the supply by having consumers in the United States adopt wheatless days and the use of corn-meal.

While last year's sowings of winter wheat were on the second largest area ever planted to that cereal, severe winter conditions cut into the acreage by more than 30 per cent of the acreage.

Last fall 40,534,000 acres were planted to winter wheat, revised figures show, but the area harvested was only 27,653,000 acres, a reduction of 12,881,000 acres. The 1916 sowings were 39,823,000 acres while the harvested area that season was 34,329,000 acres.

Last year's abandoned acreage was the heaviest on record. The average abandonment of acreage due to winter conditions is about 10 per cent. The lowest abandonment in the last 15 years was 2.1 per cent in 1903 and the highest, excepting last year, was 20.1 per cent in 1912.

Conditions for planting and the early growth of this year's crop have not been the best. Dry weather delayed germination of late sown seed and in some sections prevented plowing and seeding. It was one of the driest Novembers on record in Kansas, the principal winter wheat-growing state, and during the month the rainfall was less than 35 per cent of the normal amount.

Eastern Kansas across Iowa, northern Missouri, central and northern Illinois, Indiana and Ohio, which states form the principal winter wheat-growing belt. The department of agriculture, however, says the yield of winter wheat is not determined entirely by the rainfall during the late summer and fall.

The condition of winter wheat on Dec. 1 compares with 85.7 per cent of a normal on that date last year; 87.7 in 1915, and 93.8 the ten-year average.

The Dec. 1 rye condition compares with 88.8 per cent of a normal on Dec. 1 last year; 91.5 in 1915, and 92.2 the ten-year average.

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LOWELL DEFEATS WORCESTER

CITY LEAGUE BOWLERS HAVE AT IT

The bowlers in the City league had at it last night, five games being played. Considerable enthusiasm was displayed at the different alleys during the evening for each of the teams had a good following of roters present.

The White Ways capped off the high team total, 156, but divided the points with the Middlesex quintet. The White Ways started off like a race horse and gathered in the first string by a margin of 72 pins, but dropped the second by eight and the third by 31, but the good start in the first string brought up the grand total of the White Ways. Green of the White Ways was high man with a total of 323 and his side-partner, Brigham delivered the goods to the tune of 355. O'Brien, with 327, was high man for the Middlesex team.

The Crescents just simply swamped the Merrimacks and the Highland Daylights took all four games in the Sunday night session. The Quinns took three of the four points from the Lowell team drilled his men in the advantage of co-ordination, and the success of the team shows what can be accomplished by effective work.

Higgins gave a very spectacular exhibition and did all that one man could do to win, but the effective blocking and covering of the Lowell men kept the Worcester flash in check.

Higgins is fast and an expert juggler, and while he employed all his cunning in an effort to bring about a desired result, he still did it all in vain.

The change from Monday to Tuesday, judging from the attendance, was a good move. A large crowd was present and enjoyed the game immensely. While of course those present were pulling for a Lowell win, they showed their appreciation of the good exhibition of the stars, and the famous "Jigger" and his men received ample recognition for their class plays.

The first period developed into a match between Higgins and Harkins, and the fans were treated to a classy exhibition. The heady Harkins, master of scientific and combination play, and the fiery and dazzling Higgins, gave all efforts to compare the different styles of play and the period ended after each had scored one goal, the total scoring for the period.

The second period found the two leaders still at it, not as scorers, but as pivots for their respective teams. With this pair fighting it out, the scoring was all over the cage, the ever reliable and hard driving Higgins came to the front as Lowell's scoring medium, and drove two goals into the net. This rapid shift of the play bewildered the visitors. In the first period they concentrated their efforts on watching Harkins, and in the second they started to turn in some better work, quickly doing the Worcester strategy, changed his plan of attack during the fast end of the period. Lowell pulled off one of the best plays seen here this year. Harkins and "Gir" in a series of clashes worked the ball down the floor to the Worcester cage. With the entire Worcester team fighting side by side to keep the ball out of the country station Oldham came up and after hooking a fine pass landed the ball by Mullin for a score that brought down the house. It was a nifty piece of work. The period ended with the score Lowell 4, Worcester 1.

Despite the rather comfortable lead enjoyed by Lowell at the opening of the third period, the "Jiggers" did not give up the ship. On the contrary, they went into the game with more "pew" and while Oldham hooked one into the net after 42 seconds of play, Higgins and his tribe worked every second thereafter in an endeavor to pull down the lead. Higgins succeeded in countering his hit this period with the final of the night, for thereafter the Lowell team presented a defense that was impregnable. Harkins and Griffith were the stars for Lowell, while Higgins contributed the feature plays for the visitors.

The score:

LOWELL	5	2--WORCESTER	1
Oldham Jr.		Ir. Mulligan	
Harkins Jr.		2r Higgins	
Griffith Jr.		Donnelly	
Fennell Jr.		b Morrison	
Purcell Jr.		Ir. Mullin	

FIRST PERIOD

Lowell	1	Caged by	Time
Harkins	.....	.....	8:31
Worcester	Higgins	.....	3:45

SECOND PERIOD

Lowell	6:24	GIRL	.....
Griffith	.....	.....	2:16
Lowell	Oldham	.....	5:05

THIRD PERIOD

Lowell	Oldham	.....	4:3
Worcester	Higgins	.....	2:05

Summary: Score Lowell 5, Worcester 2. Oldham, Oldham, Mulligan 5, Mullin, Mullin 5, Fennell 2, Mullin 4. Referee, Burkett, Timer, Sullivan.

POLO NOTES

Jesse Burkett, as usual, handled the game well.

Barney Doherty will lead his Brockton team against Lowell at the Rollaway Friday night. The game will start at 8:15 o'clock.

Harkins and Griffith continue to demonstrate why they are regarded as the best combination workers in the league.

Because of conflicting dates, Lawrence will be unable to play here Saturday afternoon.

The Providence Journal in reporting the recent Providence-Lowell game says:

To the old-timers at the battle the great skill and brilliancy of Bob Griffith was a source of surprise as well as admiration. The hero of a thousand polo battles appears to have been born to the game, and the seasons he has been out of the game and never in his palmy days did Bob give the spectators a better run for their money. He was the dangerous man at all times in the black uniform and that he didn't get more goals was due more to the superb defense of the focus, than to any lack of aggressiveness, speed, or accuracy on the part of the veteran.

Lowell handed out team work in full measure, the entire machine from Buck Oldham to Jack Flinnell showing valves well ground and lubricated, the combination work at times being a treat.

One of the fans at the polo game Saturday night asked Barney Doherty if he was in the draft. Cut that stuff out, boys; old age should be respected, —Worcester Post.

THE LOWELL BOYS' CLUB DEFEAT ST. ANNE'S WOLVES AT BASKETBALL

The Lowell Boys' club basketball team defeated St. Anne's Wolves last evening in a fast game by the score of 24 to 12. Brown starred for the winners. The line-up:

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19 LIVES LOST IN U. S. NAVAL COLLISION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Nineteen lives were lost when the American submarine F-1 was rammed and sunk by submarine F-3 in home waters during a fog on Monday afternoon. The F-3 was undamaged and picked up five survivors of her victim. Secretary Daniels announced the disaster late yesterday in a brief statement, which gave no further details. Commander of F-1 Saved

Lieut. A. E. Montgomery, commanding officer of the F-1, was among the five saved. His mother, Mrs. Julia H. Montgomery Pratt, lives at Fort Julia, Wright, New York.

Other survivors are: J. J. Schmissauer, machinist; father, Charles C. Schmissauer, Hills City, Tenn.; Henry L. Brown, gunner's mate; father, H. P. Brown, Macon, Ga.; Joseph J. Burns, chief gunner's mate; wife, San Pedro, Calif.; mother, John J. Stewart, ship's cook; mother, Mrs. Ceila B. Campbell, Huron, S. D.

List of Men Lost

The list of those lost was announced by the navy department as follows:

Major father, Grant Stewart, Los Angeles; Lyman F. Lovel, machinist's mate; father, Lyman Lovel, Denver; Ralph C. McClure, electrician; mother, Mrs. Josephine McClure, Detroit; Duncan A. McRae, electrician; sister, Florence McRae, Blair, Wash.; John P. Messinger, chief machinist's mate; wife, Philadelphia; Grove E. Metz, machinist's mate; wife, San Francisco.

Skates and Sleds at The Thompson Hardware Co.

LICENSE BOARD HEARS LIQUOR CASES

At the regular meeting of the license commission last night hearings were given on charges against Henry W. Garrity of the Washington Tavern and Fred Lavigne and Narcissa Demarais, holders of a first class liquor license at 15 Salem street.

Messrs. Lavigne and Demarais were charged with violating the conditions of their license by selling liquors to an intoxicated person, the witnesses for the prosecution being Officers Palmer and Dwyer. Their testimony, which was substantially the same, was that the premises at 15 Salem street were visited by them at about four o'clock on the afternoon of Dec. 12 and found a drunken man leaning up against the bar. He had a glass of beer in his hand. Officer Dwyer asked the man his name and was told it was Frank Lapointe. The man claimed he was sober, but when asked to walk across the floor it is alleged that the manner in which he walked indicated he was under the influence of liquor. He was placed under arrest and taken to the police station where he was booked for drunkenness. The following morning he was released after signing a statement admitting that he was intoxicated when brought into the police station.

Mr. Demarais, testifying in his own behalf, said that he had known Lapointe for several years, but that the latter was smart in some ways he was silly in others. The witness stated that the man arrested at his place carries a heavy vase during the day and from the constant carrying of it leans towards one side and when he has not got the vase in his hands he still leans in that direction. Witness said that he did not consider the man drunk. The matter was taken under advisement.

Officer Lennon said that he visited the Washington tavern on Sunday, Nov. 18, and found 25 men in the dining room. There was one man sitting at a table who was in a drunken condition. When he was looking at the man one of the others came up to him and asked him if he wanted liquor. He drank part of the contents of some liquor in a glass and then witness stepped up to him and took the glass away. Officers Lennon and Noye placed the man under arrest and when brought to the police station he gave the name of Edward J. Stuchman and the following morning was fined \$100 after being found guilty of drunkenness.

On Dec. 18 witness said they saw man being served liquor more than once on a sandwich without packaging of their food. One man drank whiskey who was under the influence of liquor.

In testifying for the defense John T. McManus, the clerk, stated that on Nov. 18, he remembered the man in question and recalled that he had refused him service. While he had his back turned the fellow went to another table and helped himself to a glass of whiskey which another man had left there while he went to another side of the room. Jeremiah Moriarty, a sheet-metal worker of Boston, came forward to claim that he was the man who originally ordered the glass of whiskey and had left it on the table with the understanding that he was to finish it when he returned. When he old come back he found the officers placing the man under arrest and the drink he had paid for, together with his sandwich, was gone. John E. Savage, a citizen, who heard the story, said at the time told about the same story. He had seen the man who was later arrested by the officers, walk over to the table and help himself to a glass of whiskey which had been left there.

Last Sunday a man named Egan was arrested from the place, the officers charging that he was intoxicated.

In testifying for the defense in the latter count Mr. Garrity said that while he waited in the hotel and learned what had happened he attempted to find out what clerk had served the man. Each one of the employees denied serving liquor to him and he, witness, immediately discharged every one and ordered his dining room closed. The officers testified that they called at the place later on and found the place closed tight.

The concluded the giving of testimony. Mr. Garrity asked for the privilege of saying a few words and the request was granted. He stated that he was trying as hard as any man could to conduct his place in a proper manner, but the four liquor inspectors had apparently made it their business to persecute him and were forever dredging in and out of his hotel. The case was taken under advisement by the board.

Against Second Hand Store

During the early part of the evening Charles A. Howard, who conducts a second hand store at 150 Fayette street, appeared before the commission on complaint of Capt. Brozman for failing to pay the rents and requirements of his license. It was alleged that Howard did not report the purchase of goods at his place.

Capt. Brosnan informed the board that the man had been given a license and informed of the importance of reporting daily on all goods purchased by him. Recently there were breaks made into William Lawler's store in Central street, and also in Joseph Newmeyer's home, and after an investigation by inspectors of the police department the greater part of the stolen property was found in Howard's store.

Capt. Brosnan said he visited the store and got little or no satisfaction from the man. The latter intimated that he knew how to conduct his business and did not intend to take orders from any one. "It's not the law to do that," he said. "I believe that he should be revoked," said the officer in charge, on motion of Mr. Brozman, experienced no hesitancy in revoking the license.

Following the hearings the following minor licenses were granted: Drivers permit, Samuel LeBlanc for Gervais & Co., common victualler; Nicholas J. Houps, 12 Bridge st; coffee house, Peter Davatis and George Koprigatis, 498 Market street; Billiard and pool transfer, John Jumios from 243 Adams to 87 Summer street.

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GLOVES FOR CHRISTMAS

Gloves are high and are going higher. We have several hundred pairs in stock now that show but a slight advance over last year. If it's gloves for Christmas buy them today at the Merrimack Clothing Co., across from

TROLLEY SERVICE HIBERNATES

Special to The Sun.

STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 19.—"It hibernates, so to speak, during the winter, doesn't it?" suggested Commissioner Russell to Edwin S. Vining of Billerica, during a hearing before the public service commission today on the question of trolley services on the Billerica-Wilmington route of the Bay State road.

Mr. Vining, who is superintendent of the Billerica schools, assented to Commissioner Russell's suggestion. Mr. Russell's remark followed upon the declaration of Mr. Vining that the old Billerica line had been a corpse during the past two weeks and that consequently any Billerica residents who had been using it would either have to hitch up his horse and pony or go by shank's mare if he wanted to reach the town famed by its silvery lake. Wilmingtonians on the other hand, would have to adopt the same tactics if they wanted to get to the community by the Concord.

Superintendent Vining told the commission that the 35 schoolchildren affected by the discontinuance would have to be transported to the destination by automobile or other vehicle.

If the trolley service was suspended, he said that the revenue going to the Bay State through schoolchildren's transportation amounted to \$300 yearly.

He was willing, he said, to pay the cost of the trolley service if the company would be willing to charge full fares for pupils. Mr. Vining charged that although the company had agreed to give him ample notification of any discontinuance of service, it had in fact given no such notice for a period less than 24 hours before it took place.

Mr. Barrows, selectman of Wil-

mington, informed the commission that no agreement had been arrived at between the company and the town he represented.

Mr. Alexander of Billerica, said that the company had agreed to make some definite proposition on continuing trolley service, but that no such proposition had come from them. Mr. Alexander told of having made a call yesterday on the company there, and the result was that all the residents expressed a willingness to pay double fares and assume payment of the excise and franchise tax of the Bay State in their district.

Despite the representations of the towns that no conference had been held with the Bay State officials, General Manager Robert S. Goff of the company maintained that two conferences had taken place, but that agreement had not been reached. The Billerica-Wilmington route was absolute deadwood to his company, Mr. Goff contended, and even though Billerica and Wilmington residents assumed the taxation burden and paid double fares, the passenger would be sufficient to make the route to any degree a paying one. Expenses for a year totalled \$5,100, he explained, whereas the revenue reached only \$1,200. In his opinion the line should be discontinued.

The commission took the decision HOYT.

NEWLY ELECTED K. OF C. OFFICERS TO BE INSTALLED TOMORROW EVENING

The final meeting of the year of Bishop Dolan, General Assembly, 4th Degree of the Knights of Columbus will be held tomorrow evening and will be signalized by a visit from

Master Louis Watson, of Boston, head of the fourth degree in New England. He will install the newly elected members and incidentally address the members on several important topics.

It is expected that the program for the 11th annual session of the assembly will be discussed at this time and plans set on foot for the holding of affairs which will enlist the support of all the members. Just now the members individually and collectively are working hand in hand with the parent organization to bring to a successful issue the various war work activities and plans of the entire local council.

The 11th annual evening meeting will be but an epitome of the general interests that has characterized the Knights' activities in Lowell since last April. Faithful Navigator Thomas B. Delaney will preside and Master Watson, who is a former state deputy of the Knights in Massachusetts and an eloquent speaker, will be given a fine address.

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WARNS AGAINST DANGER OF PLACING CANDLES BEHIND RED CROSS FLAGS

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—On account of the fire hazard and danger to life, the national board of underwriters has issued a warning against the suggestion made by headquarters of the American Red Cross that lighted candles be placed in windows behind Red Cross flags on Christmas eve as a stimulus in the campaign for ten million new members.

"The combination of lighted candles and home windows as ordinarily dressed," a statement from the board says, "is about as safe as the proverbial match and gunpowder band."

George E. Fowler, business manager of the Red Cross, has sent telegrams to all chapters of the Red Cross throughout the country, urging that the warning of the national board be heeded. The telegram suggests that curtains be taken down, shades raised and only the lights of the room used for the proposed illumination.

EVANS FOR STATE LIBRARIAN

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—Lawrence Boyd McCall, a lawyer, was nominated for state librarian today by Gov. McCall to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Foster W. Stearns, commissioned a Lieutenant in the army. Mr. Evans was for many years professor of history at Tufts college and recently has been member of the commission to compile information for the constitutional convention.

COMPLIMENTARY DANCE AT CAMP DEVENS

A complimentary dance will be conducted in one of the Y.M.C.A. buildings at Camp Devens tomorrow evening by the members of Company C, Machine Gun battalion and the affair promises to be an occasion of rare enjoyment for all who will attend. The arrangements for the event are in the hands of Private Ernest Beckford, who has spared nothing to supply an excellent program.

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Why Catarrh Is Risky

Have you pains over the right eye, pains over the left eye, pains across the front of the head? Do you take cold easily, sneeze a great deal? Do you sneeze until you become dizzy? Does first one nostril, then the other, close? Have you a discharge from your nostrils? Are you losing your sense of smell? Do crusts form in your nostrils? Do you sleep with your mouth open? Does your throat feel dry, as if sand were dusted over it? Does your throat tickle as if a hair had lodged in it? Do you have to be constantly clearing the throat? Is your hearing failing? Have you unnatural sounds in the ears? Are those sounds like steam escaping or like water falling? Do your ears feel like they were stopped up? Does the wax harden in your ears? Do your ears discharge?

Have you distress after eating? Do you burp with gas? Does your heart palpitate? Does your heart miss beats? Are you short of breath on going up stairs?

Have you pains in the chest? Have you soreness behind the breastbone? Have you stiffness in your side? Have you a dull ache under the shoulder blades? Have you an irritating cough?

These are important questions for you to answer. In one they indicate cataract at work in the nostrils and throat; in others they indicate cataract that is spreading from the nostrils and throat into the ear tubes, and this may rob you of your hearing.

In others it tells of the cataract that has reached the stomach. In this way, the entire system becomes poisoned by cataract.

In others it indicates diseases that begin in a cold in the nostrils and throat, but which have traveled down into the windpipe and lung tubes. Diseases in the air passages make sore places. This causes the chest pains and the cough that brings up the material thrown off by the sore places.

She Was Deaf Now She Hears

Mrs. Mary Farley, 9 L Street, Lowell, Mass., says:

"I had been troubled with my ears for over six years. It began with noises which sounded like chirping of crickets, then my hearing began to fail, finally it got so bad that I had difficulty in hearing what people said. When I went to a doctor everything was blank; I could not hear a word of the sermon. One day in crossing the street, I came very near being killed. An electric car was within a few inches of me when a man pulled the horn loudly but I could not hear it. As the result of Doctor McCoy's inattention to my trouble I can now hear. I can hear every word of the sermon. In fact, my hearing is so good that I can hear the conversation in the next room. My neighbors all notice my changed condition and they marvel at the result produced by Doctor McCoy's treatment."

8 Visits for \$5

The reason why many people suffering from cataract troubles are not cured is because they cannot afford to receive the right kind of treatment often enough.

The offer of the nominal fee rate is given at this time by Dr. McCoy so that all sufferers from cataract diseases can afford to receive treatment as often and as long as it is needed.

Dr. McCoy takes this opportunity of notifying all those who need treatment for cataract troubles that until January 1st, instead of his usual charge of \$3.00 for an office treatment, he has placed his fees at the nominal rate of 8 visits for \$5.00. Under this offer, each patient will receive 8 complete treatments.

In order to take advantage of this low offer, it will be necessary to visit my office and enroll your name on or before Dec. 31st.

CONSULTATION AND EXAMINATION FREE

If you are threatened with any of the diseases that kill, such as Heart Disease, Kidney Disease, Bladder troubles, Tumors or Cancer—if you are afflicted with any delicate or annoying disease, if you have Cataract in the nostrils, throat disease, have head noises, are going deaf, or have running ears, you will be welcome to a free examination, and consultation at Dr. McCoy's office. Dr. McCoy received his training while physician to Bellevue Hospital, New York. Bellevue Hospital is the largest hospital in America, and it has the cases of the diseases that kill in any hospital in America. Twenty thousand patients are treated each year in Bellevue. The physicians on the staff of this New York's greatest hospital are selected after the most rigid competitive examination, and receive the best possible training and experience in treating disease.

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